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JURY CAN'T AGREE

In the Nan Patterson Murder Trial

The Prisoner Collapsed From Suspense This Morning—No New Trial Probable If Majority Favors Acquittal

NEW YORK, DEC. 23—NAN PATTERSON, ACCUSED OF THE MURDER OF CAESAR YOUNG, MAY BE SET FREE THOUGH THE JURY COULD NOT AGREE ON A VERDICT.

WILD EXCITEMENT

IN NEW YORK AWAITING THE PATTERSON VERDICT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Even in the face of certain knowledge that news of the result of the jury's deliberations would not be forthcoming until after 10 o'clock today, scores of persons remained all night around the criminal court building hoping to be the first to hear the verdict in the case of Nan Patterson. Driven from the building, just before midnight, when the jury was locked up for the night by order of Justice Davis, the curious crowd gathered in little knots in sheltered places in the vicinity to wait and speculate and insure for themselves an advantageous position in the line when the doors were again opened today. Even when the dim light which came through the windows of the jury room indicated that the jurors had given up their arguments for the night and were attempting to sleep, rumors from inside the building found their way to the patient waiters. The source of these rumors no one knew and little faith was placed in their truthfulness.

In the early night mysterious information had it that the jury stood firm on the basis of nine for acquittal, one for conviction of murder in the second degree of manslaughter of which they believed the prisoner guilty. Before daylight however, there had been a decided change in the sentiment of the jury, according to report. At that time a story which gained circulation had 11 jurors favoring acquittal with one holding out for conviction of murder in the first degree. Of course there was nothing to substantiate these rumors, but every bit of gossip was seized upon by those who had waited so long.

The first sign of life in the big court building came just before daybreak when a bright light flickered up in the window of the jury room scarcely more than a dozen feet away from the court house end of the bridge of sighs. A little later the officers who had been on guard in the building all night came out one by one for breakfast and a little after 7 o'clock, the jurors, guarded by court officers, marched out to a nearby restaurant for their morning meal. As they came through the Franklin street exit, the jurors were met by a crowd of not less than 200 persons, including the self appointed guard who had remained on duty all night. If the crowd had expected to learn anything from the faces of the jurors they were disappointed for there was nothing in their expression save weariness. It was learned that the room in which the long night was spent was entirely without furniture with the exception of a table and a dozen small wooden chairs. Whatever rest the jurors got therefore, was obtained under far from ideal conditions. They suffered somewhat from cold during the night, too, the officers said, and the engineer was aroused in the early morning hours with a request for more steam.

OFFICER FAINTED.

There was another giving away of over strained nerves today when Wm. Ryan, a policeman on guard at the entrance to the jury room fainted. He was sent to his station house in a patrol wagon. He had been doing extra duty and this with the excitement of the trial was too much for him.

After the hardest day of her life, a day which opened with the brightest hope and ended in darkest despair, Nan Patterson retired to her cot in the tombs half an hour after midnight. It had been reported from the little "pen" over the jury room, where she spent the long hours of waiting yesterday and last evening that she was on the verge of nervous collapse and that even her aged father, who has been constantly at her side was unable to calm her.

According to the matron of the tombs, however, the girl had hardly touched her cot in the cell before she was asleep. Her sleep was troubled and she awoke many times during the night but on the whole got a much better night's rest than might have been expected. "I don't see how she does it," said the matron. "She has the most wonderful nerve of any woman I ever knew."

MISS PATTERSON

COLLAPSED IN HER CELL WHILE AWAITING A VERDICT.

This morning Nan Patterson asked for news from the jury. She became hysterical while waiting for an answer and the tombs warden went to see her. He assured her that there was no news and that she could not possibly hear anything until it was announced in the court room before her. Instead of reassuring her, this news made her worse and she had a severe attack of hysteria. "How can I ever face those dreadful 12 men again?" the warden said she repeatedly cried, the fear of going back to the court overshadowing everything else.

Dr. Levin, the tombs physician, was sent for in a hurry and prescribed for her. About this time her father arrived at the tombs. Owing to her state of collapse he was allowed to go up to see her and with his presence and the efforts of the physician, she improved in a very short time. As soon as she was somewhat composed she was led across the bridge of sighs to the criminal court building. She was taken to the "pen" in the court building to wait until a verdict had been reached or some conclusion had been arrived at.

ALL NIGHT SESSION

BUT THE JURY COULD NOT REACH DECISION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The jury in the Nan Patterson case was locked up at 11.26 last night, not having reached a verdict. At 11 o'clock the announcement came from the jury room that no decision had been arrived at and immediately following came a statement that Judge Davis would give the jury another half hour before locking them up.

The hope of a verdict was dispelled, however, when a few minutes before 11.30 Captain Lynch of the court squad said that "it was all off," and the jury would be locked up for the night.

Miss Patterson heard the news in the "pen" and it was so unexpected to her that she came near to collapse.

It was understood that the jury would continue consideration of the case in the small jury room containing only a few small tables and chairs, and the jurors had no opportunity to sleep unless they could nap in the small wooden chairs.

As soon as the jury was locked up for the night, Miss Patterson bade her father a tearful farewell and was escorted from the "pen" in the court building to her cell in the Tombs.

The girl, who showed such courage throughout the long trial, is almost a nervous wreck. The great strength she formerly evidenced has failed and she repeatedly exclaimed, "Oh, how can those men doubt my word?"

There will be no opportunity of hearing from the jury again until 10.30 today, the hour fixed by the court for a report from the twelve men who are to decide the fate of the chorus girl.

Immediately after the announcement that the jury was locked up for the night, the officers cleared the corridors of the court building of scores of newspaper men and attorneys who had anxiously awaited the news from the jury.

The latest rumor from the jury room was that three men were holding out against nine who desired to acquit the defendant. It was reported that the three jurors were at odds as to the seriousness of the crime. One juror is said to be holding out for conviction for murder in the second degree and two others are reported to favor manslaughter in the second degree.

One rumor was so definite that it named a juror who had asked if he might fire the revolver, as the man who is holding out for the conviction of Miss Patterson of murder in the second degree.

Disappointed crowds in the street heard of the locking up of the jury for the night and joined in the wail of the persons who had been privileged to stand in the court building during the deliberations of the jurors. A few women were in the crowd which stood in White street and watched the windows of the jury room until the announcement came that the twelve men must spend the night in deliberation.

"That jury will never agree," was the verdict of scores of men who followed the jury from the court building to a neighboring cafe at 7.30 o'clock for dinner. As they filed back in the jury room after dinner, there was silence throughout the great building.

As the hours dragged on and no report came from the jury room, the crowd in the building and in the street became impatient. At one time a small company of men in the corridors broke into song. Miss Patterson heard this sign of merriment and her nerves are said to have rebelled at the indication that anyone could be gay when a question of such moment was under consideration.

The great interest which the trial of Nan Patterson has attracted was never evidenced in a more pronounced way than yesterday afternoon and evening. Excluded from the corridors of the court building several score of persons stood outside the main entrance in the slush and snow and cold last night waiting for word that the jury had at last agreed.

In the corridors of the building were a hundred newspaper men and women, keeping a constant vigil and picking up here and there the scraps of information which filtered from no one knew where, concerning jury, defendant and attorneys.

Miss Patterson after the jury retired yesterday noon, spent the afternoon and evening between her cell in the Tombs and what is known as the "pen" on the third floor of the court building.

As she was led from the court after the jury retired, she witnessed a marriage ceremony between two prisoners and congratulated them. For a moment her face brightened as though she had forgotten her own troubles, but soon after resumed its look of sad calm. While she was in the Tombs yesterday she opened numerous telegrams and letters from friends and relatives congratulating her upon her defense and expressing the hope that her freedom was near at hand. One of the messages was from her mother, who had been unable to attend the trial.

Last evening after her dinner, she was taken to the "pen" where she was joined by her father, who has been constant in his support of his daughter since she was first accused of the crime.

The abiding faith of the young woman was shown shortly after 6 o'clock last night when she expressed the opinion that the jury would acquit her.

"I almost feel sure I will leave here tonight, for the jury, I think, will not stay out all night." When she said this, her face was tense with nervousness and in her hand was the missive she had just received from her mother.

At 10 o'clock the crowd of morbidly curious people about the court house gathered on the White street side of the building where they could see the little room in which the jury was sitting. This room is on the second floor and though the curtains were drawn, any movement on the inside was plainly silhouetted.

Half of those gathered were women, and for a time the people were quiet. Finally, however, becoming impatient, various cries were set up, directed at the jurymen, and were continued for a long time.

The jury began its work of considering the evidence about 12.25. At 2 o'clock the twelve men were escorted to a Park Row restaurant for lunch and an hour afterward again took up the case. At 7.30 o'clock court officers again opened the jury room and the men went to dinner. They were a solemn looking lot and during the meal there was little conversation and fewer smiles. It was over an hour later.

Yesterday's proceedings consisted of the charge to the jury by Justice Davis, lasting something over an hour. He outlined the law and then sent the jury away. The judge adjourned his court late in the afternoon, saying that if a verdict was reached before 11 o'clock he would return to the building.

NAN PATTERSON

HAS AN AUNT WHO RESIDES IN LAWRENCE.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Charles Smith of this city is an aunt of Nan Patterson, the New York show girl, who is on trial upon the charge of murdering Caesar Young. Mrs. Smith was seen at her home by a reporter yesterday and expressed herself quite freely upon the subject of her relationship. "I am sorry to say that Nan Patterson is an own piece of mine," said Mrs. Smith, "the daughter of my favorite and best beloved brother. I never saw her, and I don't know as I want to now, and I never heard from her directly except once. She was married to a Mr. Martin when she was about 17, years old, and I sent her a wedding present. She wrote me a note of thanks and that's all the word I ever received from her. She never came here, unless it was with the Floradora company, and if she came then, she had no use for me, so I did not see her.

"I don't believe she ever committed the crime of which she is accused, and I feel sure that she will be acquitted. If she did shoot Young, it was in a drunken quarrel. Her vanity and her pretty face have been responsible for all her troubles. She was the prettiest of all the family of four girls, and when she was quite young her father wrote that 'Nan was the beauty of them all.'

"Her father was in Lawrence some months during 1895, as he was in ill health, and her mother has been at my home three times. I have not written to my brother since the trouble occurred for I have felt that what I would say would hurt his feelings. It is not what the girl has done in this particular instance, but the life that she has led, that makes me feel so bad. And her father, I don't know what it will do to him, for he has been in ill health some years.

"The family home was in Washington, D. C., where by brother was a supervisor in the treasury department. He married a Southern woman whose home was near the navy yard, in the capitol city."

HORSES MUST GO

City Solicitor Hogan was notified today by Assistant Clerk Halliday of the superior court to the effect that the decree of injunction entered by him recently against A. Archambault has been allowed by the court and Mr. Archambault is allowed until Dec. 31, 1904, to remove his horses from the stable over which the controversy arose.

Francis W. Qua, who appears for Mr. Archambault, has taken an appeal to the supreme court and it will be argued in January.

FOR GRAND JURY

In police court today, Stavous Tambacologos and John Adenakis were charged with assault with a knife on Peter Tavoulares and assault and battery on Harris Tavoulares. George Benarcos was charged with assault and battery on Peter and Harris Tavoulares. The trouble occurred in the Tremont & Suffolk mills on the forenoon of December 6, at which time, it was alleged, the defendants assaulted the complainants.

The assault was a serious one. Peter Tavoulares was sent to the hospital and was unconscious when he arrived there. He was cut in the head and about the body.

D. J. Donahue appeared for the defendants today and Corporation Officer Major Noyes for the commonwealth. No defence was offered and the defendants were ordered in $400 each for the grand jury.

LATEST

FELL FROM WAGON

Drunken Man Was Badly Bruised and Cut

ABUSED WIFE COMPLAINS OF HUSBAND

She Found Her Husband Entertaining Strange Woman

One drunken offender, Martin P. Fahey, was released in police court today. He was battered and bruised and scarred and rent. He fell from a wood team yesterday and the ground made a war map of his face. He looked as if he had either assaulted an officer or referred a wrestling match. "I will drink no more," was his promise to the court.

THE OTHER WOMAN.

Michael Doherty pleaded guilty to complaints charging him with drunkenness and non-support of his wife. The latter, a trim looking little woman, told Judge Hadley that when she went home last night she found her husband and another woman named Holland in the house, drunk. She said that the Holland woman was lying on the table, fast asleep, and her husband was snoozing in the rocking chair near the table.

Mrs. Doherty told the court that her husband is lazy. Instead of getting up early in the morning and searching for work, he would remain in bed until noon time. He gave her $2 Thanksgiving eve; that was the last money she had received from him. She admitted that the dove of peace had not perched on the saddleboard of their little home for many moons, and last night's affair was the straw that broke the camel's back. A drunken woman asleep on her table and her husband dreaming in a chair close by was more than she could stand.

"Are you in the habit of drinking?" asked the court.

"I will not deny that I take a glass of beer," said Mrs. Doherty, "but I do not take enough to hurt me."

"I did not say anything about it hurting you. I only want to know if you drink," said the court.

"Yes, occasionally," replied the woman.

Mrs. Doherty said that she had six children and the court, believing it would be a hardship either to fine or imprison the defendant, placed him on probation for one week, in order to give Doherty an opportunity to find employment. If at the end of that time he is still unemployed, and has no good excuse to offer, he will be subject to sentence by the court.

SAW THE SCALES.

Thomas Keating was charged with drunkenness, and the larceny of three pounds of fish, the property of Samuel Renault. The government was not ready to go on with its case and Keating was ordered in $200 until tomorrow morning.

REMOVED CHRISTMAS TREES.

William Kelly was feeling a bit obstreperous last evening and he amused himself by tearing Christmas trees from their moorings in Gorham street and throwing them into the middle of the street. Kelly was on probation. The suspension of his former sentence of one month to jail was revoked and the original sentence made operative.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

James F. Mangan was charged with drunkenness and he denied the allegation. His wife and the arresting officer, however, declared that Mangan was drunk and his wife said he struck her and drove her from the house in her night clothes. Mangan, who was on probation, having been given a suspended sentence of four months to the common jail some time ago, had the suspension revoked and stood committed to the common jail.

Bridget Holland was sentenced to one month in jail and Nellie Welch will spend the next five months at the same institution.

ELECTRIC VS. GAS.

Heretofore gas has held the boards in police court, but today an electric bulb lighted Judge Hadley's desk, and electric lights have ben added to the lighting fixtures in other parts of the room.

CITY HALL NOTES

Alderman-elect Thomas F. Braden has gone to his old home in Frontenacville, N. Y., for Christmas.

Expressions of sorrow at the death of Ex-Superintendent Conlon were heard on all sides in city hall this morning, for the ex-superintendent was well liked while in office.

Mayor-elect Casey called on Mayor Howe this forenoon and the two had a pleasant chat together.

SPECIAL MEETING

OF ALDERMEN CALLED FOR THIS AFTERNOON.

Mayor Howe this morning called a special meeting of the board of aldermen for this afternoon to canvass the election returns as revised by the recount.

PROF. FRED BOND

DID NOT GIVE OUT STORY ON SHEA'S SUPPOSED DEATH.

Prof. Bond called at The Sun office today to inquire why he was made responsible for the article in Wednesday's paper in relation to the supposed death of Michael Shea, a member of his choir in South Lawrence. In justice to Mr. Bond, it should be stated that he had nothing whatever to do with the article, although the postal card which he received from Lawrence announcing Shea's death and the consequent ordering of flowers at McMannion's to be sent to Lawrence, formed the clue upon which a Sun reporter based the story.

The postal card received by Mr. Bond read as follows:

Lawrence, Mass. Dec. 19, 1904.

Mr. Bond:

Michael Shea died Monday morning about 10 a. m.

Yours,

M. J. FARRISEY.

On Tuesday evening Mr. Bond called at the house and found that the young man was alive but he says while others were misled as well as he, and some had even ordered flowers, there was no such thing as a wake scene with flowers, lighted candles and casket. The Sun's story was obtained through a local florist and by telephone from Lawrence.

As Mr. Bond holds the young man in high esteem he regrets the publicity given the matter. Shea is still alive.

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IN JURY'S HANDS

Nan Patterson Will Soon Know Her Fate

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—There was a slight delay in the beginning of the Nan Patterson trial today, but when the prisoner was brought in the final details were arranged quickly and Judge Davis at once began his charge to the jury.

Justice Davis informed the jury that it was not his duty to interpret the evidence which had been placed before them. He would instruct them only as to the rule of the law to the end that they might arrive at a careful and just conclusion. Any opinion they might have formed either before or during the trial should not be allowed to weigh unless it was based entirely upon the evidence. Prejudice either for or against the prisoner should be entirely disabused. Referring to the alleged failure of the prosecution to show that Miss Patterson had any motive which might lead her to kill Young, Justice Davis instructed the jury that while it is not always necessary for the prosecution to prove a motive it is important in connection with the other facts. "In circumstantial evidence," said he, "the question of motive often becomes important; but it must not be a motive that is imagined; it must be proved."

Justice Davis defined the various degrees of murder and told the jury that although the defence claimed the prisoner either was guilty of murder in the first degree or was innocent it was for them to determine. They could find her guilty of murder in the first degree, in the second degree or of manslaughter, or they could render a verdict of not guilty.

Referring to the several letters which have appeared in the case, knowledge of which was denied by the defendant, he said, that the testimony of the witnesses must be carefully weighed. If Miss Patterson was believed the letters must be excluded entirely from their consideration; if not, they must be taken at their face value. In this connection he said the jury must give careful consideration to the question, "Whether it is possible that the witness for the prosecution may have lied for the purpose of aiding the prosecution or the defendant. On the other hand again, you must consider whether the defendant was influenced by any motive to tell an untruth about the letters."

Of the absence of J. Morgan Smith and his failure to appear in the trial, he said the jury should take no cognizance. The defendant was to be judged by her own acts and not by the acts of others.

Judge Davis said that if the defendant fired the shot without premeditation she would be guilty of murder in the second degree. He then explained that she might be found guilty in the first or second degree of manslaughter if not of murder but added that if there was a reasonable doubt of her guilt in any of the degrees of homicide the jury must acquit her.

Judge Davis finished his charge to the jury at 12.15 p. m.

Counsel for the defense asked the judge to charge the jury upon the evidence of P. L. McKean but the judge said he had already done so.

Before going out one of the jurors asked for the pistol in the case so as to make tests with it. He was told that there was evidence as to tests made with the weapon.

When the jury had left the court room the police officer in charge of Nan Patterson escorted her out of the court room to await the verdict and she followed the officer with a brisk, firm step. As she passed her father he gave her a parting hand clasp.

Soon after the jury retired, the court took a recess until 2 o'clock. An immense crowd of curious people thronged the corridors awaiting the verdict.

In the long hour and a quarter occupied by the judge's charge to the jury, Miss Patterson bore herself well. The rigor of five months of the Tombs was touched a clearer white by the strain under which she labored, but only that and the sustained rigor of her attitude betrayed the tension of her nerves. She was gowned in black, the only touches of color being a purple enamel pansy tipped with diamonds, which she wore on her breast and, peeping from the black collar of her dress, a narrow ruching as white itself as the skin against which it rested. Her black hat was up tilted from her brow and the thin net veil which depended from its brim did not conceal the finely moulded chin and full lips, which though child-like are oddly firm. Once or twice she turned and murmured a word to her white haired father who was at her side but the fixed expression of the girl's face never changed and her lips hardly moved. With hands clasped in her lap, her shoulders held slightly forward and not once seeking the support of her chair back, she sat almost immovable while the jury received its instructions. The gaze of her gray eyes, showing in their depths something the look of a frightened child, hardly wavered from the judge's face. Once when Caesar Young's name fell from the judge's lips she quickly placed one black gloved hand on the table, gave a little start and then with a deep quivering breath that seemed to expand her whole slight frame, she fell again into her wonted fixed strained position. Sir Charles Windham, the English actor who occupied a seat inside the rail, was pointed out to her by her father and she stared curiously at the man who stands for so much in that world in which she had once so briefly fluttered and once he turned and bent his gaze on her, his big glasses seeming to shine with benevolence and cheer.

When the big marble clock pointed to the noon hour and a factory whistle shrilled through the silent court room for the first time, the slight, black robed figure collapsed. She raised both hands to the table, lightly clasped, dropped her eyes and gave a great sigh. It was the yielding of taut nerves and flexed muscles and sent a rush of moisture to her eyes. She blinked them rapidly, sipped a glass of water and then, her composure once more her own, again bent that clouded stare upon the judge. It was evident that she was under tremendous stress and was compelling complete control with the greatest effort, but the effort was successful and not one sound or movement was marked enough to be apparent beyond those who sat with her at her counsel's table. When the judge had concluded his charge and the usual formalities gone through with, a bailiff slipped to her side.

"Where do I go?" she almost whispered in a plaintive voice. "Up stairs," he said, reassuringly, and with quick steps she hastened down the aisle and into the room where she passed the long moments of waiting.

The jury went to lunch shortly before 2 o'clock. This will make the verdict, if one has been agreed upon, rather late. The gossip of the court room was that a disagreement was not unlikely. This report was based on the fact that one of the jurors had asked for information concerning some of the exhibits in the case.

For the first time since the trial began, Miss Patterson refused to take lunch during the court recess. She was so nervous that she could not eat. Most of the time she paced up and down her cell while she waited for the summons to appear to hear the verdict.

The jury returned from their luncheon to the court house and resumed their deliberations at 2.50 p. m.

WON HIS CASE

JAMES SWEENEY ACTED AS HIS OWN COUNSEL.

NEW HAVEN, Ct., Dec. 22.—Acting as his own counsel, James Sweeney of Ansonia, who was fined $50 and sentenced to six months in jail by the Ansonia judge for stealing solder and wire from the American Telephone & Telegraph company, conducted his appeal case before the court of common pleas in this city yesterday afternoon. Just as the state was placing on the witness stand the superintendent of the company that lost the property, Sweeney, with all the finish of the trained lawyer, said to Judge Bishop: "Your honor, before this case goes any further, I have a witness that I would like to have presented during the trial."

"You shall have him," replied the judge. "Where is he, that we may send for him?"

"In Whalley avenue jail, your honor. I believe 215 is the number of the cell," answered Sweeney. The judge ordered the man summoned from the county jail. He gave his name as James Cribbins. Then the trial was resumed. Sweeney cross-examined all the witnesses for the state with considerable cleverness, occasionally being prompted by the court as to the manner of putting questions to the witnesses.

Then Cribbins, who took the stand, told the court that Sweeney had merely helped him to put the property in his, Cribbins', wagon. Cribbins is in jail for the crime of taking the property in company with Sweeney. Then Sweeney made a brief argument to the jury.

After being out some time the jury returned to court and said they could not agree, and Sweeney left the court room, after many congratulations had been extended to him for his ability in handling the case.

Joseph F. Scanlon, a student at St. Dunstan's college is home for the Christmas vacation.

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Won From Ladue in a Half Hour

Match Was Exciting and Full of Science—Barrette and Prokos Gave a Rough House Preliminary—Smiling Harvey Parker Was Introduced

The question of superiority between Charlie Jackson and Billy Ladue, the local rivals, has been settled to the satisfaction of all the sports and Jackson is the man who can wrestle. "Bert" Tibbetts, who ran the match, is the man who can pull off a satisfactory wrestling bout and Ladue—well, Billy at least demonstrated the fact that he is no quitter. He took his medicine gamely and he certainly took a large size dose of it.

Jackson left the tempting gayeties of Montreal to return here for last night's match and was somewhat tired when he went on the mat. He made the hit of his life in Montreal and had to turn down tempting invitations to remain a week in the Canadian city. But he figured that if he failed to appear it would look like a case of "quitting," hence his quick return to Lowell.

The match was made and the show run by Bert Tibbetts, manager of the Boston theatre, and he gave the public a fine run for its money. Every seat was a good one for the men worked on an elevated platform in the centre of the hall. A corps of competent ushers saw that the sports were properly seated. The bouts were run off early and without delay, and the 1000 or more people present were thoroughly satisfied with the management of the affair.

The preliminary was as attractive to many as the main bout, for it brought out Wilfred Barrette and James Prokos, the local rivals, in a rough house, 15-minute bout.

Dick Carey was referee and L. J. Thyne time keeper.

The preliminary was exciting throughout for if was a contest of science, though not any too much,

CHARLES JACKSON

against bull strength and science won. Prokos could get Barrette on the mat by his strength but he didn't know how to turn him over. After 14 minutes struggling Prokos threw Barrette heavily and getting a half nelson tried to pull him over. He got him half way when Barrette suddenly broke the hold and in an instant put the Greek, who was half way over himself, to the mat for a fall. It was done so quickly that Prokos couldn't see it and when Referee Casey declared Barrette the winner Prokos ran at him and struck him in the face. Casey was standing with his feet crossed and his hands behind his back and the blow dropped him. He was up in an instant, and was swinging on Prokos when the pair were separated. The crowd hissed the Greek for his unmanly act in assaulting Casey and when he refused to make a speech was hooted and jeered.

Prokos said he would meet Barrette for $100 a side. "Doc" Dextra accepted the challenge in behalf of Barrette and the latter posted a forfeit of $25 with the sporting editor of The Sun.

Between the bouts the only and original Harvey Parker was introduced. Harvey's smile was as large as ever and his diamonds as sparkling. A few minutes later Referee Casey announced that a 150-pound man, whose name was withheld, would meet Jackson for $200 a side. The crowd took it for granted that Parker is the man.

Jackson and Ladue entered the ring amid great applause, about 10 minutes after the conclusion of the first bout. Ladue was in great shape while Jackson showed several scratches where Tremblay had sunk into him a few evenings previous. The men said they weighed 147. Previous to the match there was considerable betting with the odds on Jackson.

Referee Casey ordered the men to shake hands and Jackson extended his while Ladue refused to take it. "Very well. I'll fix you," said Jackson while the crowd showed their displeasure at Ladue's action. It is the opinion of the wrestlers that Ladue is a dangerous man for the first 15 or 20 minutes, but tires after that time, and Jackson appeared to be governing himself accordingly for he put Ladue through the toughest 15 minutes that the latter ever experienced. Ladue was rough, too, but he didn't begin to be as successful as the Swede at throwing the gaff. It looked at one time as though Jackson would snap Ladue's head from his shoulders but Ladue took it all and shoved his fist into Jackson's nose whenever the opporunity presented itself.

In about 20 minutes they went to the mat with Jackson on top. Ladue made several attempts to get over his opponent but Jackson had him where he wanted him and kept him underneath. Jackson tried for the double elbows but Ladue shook him off. Then he tried the half-nelson, a hammer and then a crotch hold but was unsuccessful. Finally he got a scissors hold and slowly but surely brought Ladue's shoulders to the mat for as pretty a pin-fall as could be made.

In 15 minutes the men were back again. They lost little time on their feet and went down with Ladue on top. Billy got Jackson half way over and started to pull for dear life, but didn't have the right hold to accomplish a fall. Jackson lay on his side a few moments and then released himself and got Ladue under him. After brief fiddling Jackson put a hammerlock on Ladue but in turning over Ladue slipped over the side of the ring and would have fallen to the floor had not Jackson held on to him while he called to the referee to note the hold he had. The men were speedily released and brought back to the center. Ladue lay for a moment face downward with his hands on his abdomen when he had come in contact with the rough-edged boards of the ring. Some one cried: "He's going to quit," and Ladue was up in an instant and on the mat. Jackson was given the same hold as before and getting one leg along with the hammer hold Jackson stood Ladue on head for an instant and then forced both shoulders to the mat. As soon as Ladue's shoulders touched Referee Casey very properly called a second fall, the time being 4 minutes and 40 seconds and gave the match to Jackson. Some of Ladue's friends thought that Jackson should be obliged to hold his man's shoulders on the mat for 3 seconds but there was no such agreement and the referee gave the fall when he saw it.

The majority of the crowd was satisfied, however, that it was the best affair of its kind ever held in Lowell.

PRICES ADVANCED

HOLLY AND CHRISTMAS TREES ARE DEARER.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The prices of holly, Christmas trees, and all other green-stuff in demand at this season for holiday decorations have advanced, in some instances more than 50 or even 100 per cent. over last year's prices.

It is impossible to buy a case of holly for less than $7 and some dealers are asking $8.50 for it. Last year it was selling at $3 and $4 a case. It retails at from 25 to 50 cents a small wreath.

It was possible last year to secure a fair sized Christmas tree for $1.00. This year the same tree costs $1.50.

Dealers attribute the advances to cold weather.

AMBASSADOR McCORMICK BACK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Robert S. McCormick, American ambassador to Russia, who has been on a two months' vacation trip to his home in the United States started today on his return to St. Petersburg on the steamer Moltke, which sailed for Hamburg.

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GENERAL MILES

TAKES UP THE MATTER OF HIS STAFF DUTIES.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Lieut.-Gen. Miles arrived in the city yesterday from Washington and had two interviews at Gov.-Elect Douglas' rooms at the state house with Capt. John J. Flaherty relative to staff matters, particularly regarding the general's exact status and specific duties. It is understood that a statement intended to throw light on this subject will be issued in a day or two.

Adjt.-Gen. Samuel Dalton has made every preparation for leaving the service of the state on Jan. 4, the day previous to the inauguration of Gov. Douglas. He has about completed his report of the work of his office for the year and will turn over to Gen. Miles a force in fine shape and a sum of money to the credit of the commonwealth on the books of the war department of about $157,000.

On Wednesday, Jan. 4, he will tender his resignation to Gov. Bates and his resignation will be accepted. He will not attend the inauguration on Jan. 5, but has written a letter to his successor in which he states that he will be on hand at any time the former may desire his presence and will only be too happy to assist him in getting in touch with the business of the office.

On Jan. 5 the staff of Gov. Bates will attend the governor-elect to the inaugural ceremony and after he and his staff have been sworn will retire from service. As the governor-elect cannot commission his own staff until sworn in himself, the courtesy of having the presence of the military family of Gov. Bates will doubtless be appreciated.

Among other callers upon Gov.-Elect Douglas yesterday were the Hon. George Fred Williams and the Hon. William S. McNary. It is understood that Mr. Williams made some suggestions relative to inaugural recommendations that he thought the governor-elect should make, but Mr. Williams declined afterward to state the nature of the interview. Mr. Williams intends to leave on a business trip to the city of Mexico on Sunday next.

EMPEROR NICHOLAS

SAYS ACT OF PRESIDENT OF ZEMSTVOS IS PRESUMPTUOUS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22—On the margin of a telegram from the president of the zemstvo of the government of Chernigov, regarding reforms in state matters, Emperor, Nicholas, according to a communication published in the official messenger today appended a note as follows:

"I consider the action of the president to be presumptuous and tactless. Questions of state administration are of no concern to the zemstvos whose functions and rights are clearly defined by the law."

ALLEGED MURDERER

NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE THROUGH THE DAY.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Dec. 22—Fred Jones, the alleged murderer of Constable William H. Gray and Mrs. Abbie Goodrich, at Charlotteville, yesterday, survived the night at the jail, but is reported today as sinking and his death is expected at any time from his self inflicted wound.

GOVERNMENT EXHIBIT.

PORTLAND, Oregon, Dec. 22—The allotment of the funds and space for the government has been made and a copy received at exposition headquarters. It shows that the exhibit of the government will be complete in every detail. Seventy per cent. of the St. Louis exhibit is to be removed to Portland and, in addition to this, there will be additional features not seen in that city. The largest exhibits will be the fisheries which will occupy 12,000 square feet.

DROPPED DEAD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Seth Stoddard Wood, well known as a writer on social economics, has dropped dead in the street at Passaic, N. J. In 1869, he established a household magazine which gained considerable circulation. For many years, he contributed frequent articles to various periodicals.

NEW ALLAN LINER LAUNCHED.

GLASGOW, Dec. 22 The new Allan line Turbine steamer Virginian was launched here today. She is a sister ship of the Victorian.

The Victorian was launched at Belfast August 25. She is of about 12,000 tons gross, of about 10,000 horse power and is upward of 500 feet long.

PAY NO DIVIDEND.

MONTREAL, Dec. 22—The directors of the Dominion coal company have decided to pay no dividend on the common stock on account of the large floating debt, but the half yearly dividend of four per cent. on the preferred has been declared.

HELD SMOKE TALK.

The Street Railway Men's union held a smoke talk at their meeting hall in Merrimack street last night. A large number of members were in attendance and an enjoyable evening was spent. A program was furnished by the members. It was after midnight when the affair was brought to a close.

Chevalier lodge, K. of P., No. 2, held their regular meeting last night and elected officers as follows: C. C., F. M. Robitaille; V. C., C. E. Wheeler; prelate, H. Whittier; M. W., F. A. George; M. A. John Boutman; I. G., C. A. Haskill; O. G., Peter Gillespie; M. of F., Lewis Sykes; M. of E., Herbert Pilling; K. of R. and S., Lyman Hodgman.

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GASTON AND THAYER

MAY RECEIVE THE DEMOCRATIC VOTES FOR SENATOR.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Whom will the six democratic senators and 68 democratic representatives in the state legislature honor when it comes to voting for U. S. senators in the legislature in January? Apparently that is a question which has not, in the stress of state and city political happenings, yet received serious consideration by the leaders of the democratic party.

The republicans in the legislature will, of course, take care of the election of successor to Senator Lodge, whose term expires next March, and to Senator Crane, who was appointed by Gov. Bates to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Hoar, until the legislature elects. Senator Lodge will undoubtedly succeed himself, and Senator Crane will be elected to fill the late Senator Hoar's unexpired term, or until March 4, 1907.

The democratic minority usually honors one of its prominent leaders when the roll is called, and the senators and representatives announce their preference. Hon. Patrick A. Collins and Hon. Alexander B. Bruce have in recent years received the votes of the minority for the U. S. senate.

This year, with the opportunity of voting for two U. S. senators, and with little chance of a republican contest, and no likelihood, therefore, that the minority will hold the balance of power and vote for either of two rival candidates, the names of two leading democrats will be written into the records, and will go down into history as having received the votes of a minority of the Massachusetts legislature for the U. S. senate.

In so far as it has been at all discussed by local leaders, it has been suggested that the democrats in the legislature can afford to divide the honors between the city and the country democracy. The two candidates mentioned by a prominent democratic leader yesterday were Col. William A. Gaston and Hon. John R. Thayer.

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PLEADED GUILTY

End of Walpole Manslaughter Case

DEDHAM, Dec. 22—A plea of guilty of simple assault was accepted today in the case of Ralph Hudson, the sixteen year old Walpole boy charged with manslaughter in causing the death of J. Orlo Harding at Walpole, September 23. On recommendation of district attorney French the lad was placed on probation. the case was tried in the Norfolk county district court before Judge Sherman, at whose suggestion the change in plea was made.

Harding was driving a laundry wagon in Walpole on September 23 and some boys, among whom was young Hudson, threw apples at him. Harding jumped from his team and it is alleged he struck the Hudson boy with his whip. Thereupon Hudson struck Harding who fell, dying later from injuries received by his head striking the ground in his fall.

HAVERHILL CLUB

WAS AWARDED THE NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE PENNANT.

BOSTON, Dec. 22—The members of the New England baseball league assembled at the Parker House this city this afternoon for the annual meeting of the league. The directors of the league, including A. G. Doe of New Bedford; Thos. F. McDermott of Fall River; Fred Lake of Lowell and John J. Carrigg of Haverhill, met before the members assembled and voted to award the championship for 1904 to the Haverhill club.

At the general meeting the chief matters to be considered were possible changes in the circuit. It was understood that the Nashua club would be removed to Lynn.

Another matter of business was to ratify several changes in the constitution, which has been given much attention by President Murnane during the past six months. The principal amendment provides for a ruling that the directors of the league may at any time, for business reasons, make a change in the league circuit.

Secretary Morse was authorized to appoint a schedule committee for next year. His report stated that the league never had been so prosperous financially and otherwise.

Last winter the officers were elected for two years, so there was no business of that nature.

SHOT AND KILLED

LAWYER WAS ATTACKED BY A GAMBLER.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 22.—I. E. Christian, a lawyer and partner of Joseph M. Sanders, recently elected supreme judge, was shot and almost instantly killed at Oceana today by "Red" Canterbury, who escaped to the mountains. A posse is in pursuit. Canterbury through Christian's efforts had been indicted for running a gambling house.

DREYFUS CASE

ATTORNEY-GENERAL WILL RECOMMEND A RE-TRIAL.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—It is unofficially reported that the attorney-general who is examining the Dreyfus case has decided to recommend a re-trial before a court-martial. This, it is added, is subject to the approval of the court of cessation which meets in February next.

DIED OF HYDROPHOBIA

JOHNSON WAS NEVER BITTEN BY MAD DOG.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Fred Johnson, 32 years old, is dead of hydrophobia, although it is declared he never had been bitten by a mad dog. He became ill last Sunday and some time before his death attacked his wife and two small children.

Johnson's pet dog was bitten last July by a rabid animal and the man constantly worried over the matter. Finally a policeman killed the pet. A physician diagnosed Johnson's case and declared the man contracted rabies because he constantly was fearing hydrophobia.

GEORGE MONROE WON.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark, Dec. 22—George Monroe of New York has been given the decision over Tommy Gilfeather after 15 rounds of fast fighting in this city. The bout went to the limit and both men were strong at the finish. The men weighed in at 131 pounds.

POSTMASTER NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22—Charles S. Stevens today was appointed postmaster at Stevens Mills, Vermont.

NEW MINISTER NAMED.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 22.—Count Gyldenstolpe, Swedish-Norwegian minister at St. Petersburg, has been appointed minister in successor to C. P. Lagerhelm, who resigned November 7. M. Ramstadt, a councillor of state, has been acting recently as foreign minister, pending the appointment of a successor to M. Lagerhelm.

CONVENTION SIGNED.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 22 The convention on the status of hospital ships agreed upon by the delegates of the powers to the international conference on the subject was signed today in the presence of the foreign minister. Subsequently Queen Wilhelmina and the Queen mother received the delegates.

GLOOMY HOLIDAY

For the Operatives in Fall River

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 22.—No special meeting of the Textile council will be called to consider the refusal of the manufacturers to submit the strike dispute to arbitration. Labor leaders say they have done all they can to adjust the difficulties and that the strike must go on until there is some definite movement on the part of the operatives to return to the mills or the manufacturers offer something that will give the help the assurance that their more than 22 weeks' struggle has not been entirely in vain. A speedy settlement of the strike now appears to depend upon assurances of the manufacturers that wages will be restored under favorable conditions and that minor grievances, independent of the reduction will be remedied.

A conciliatory offer on the part of the mill men is apparently all that will interfere with a settlement of the strike.

It is expected that the manufacturers will make a conciliatory offer; otherwise the strike will go on for some time to come. The Carders' association is paying its members double strike benefits for Christmas. The National holiday will be the most gloomy ever experienced in this city.

JUDGE GROSSUP

ORDERS SALE OF SEVERAL CAR COMPANIES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Judge Grossup in the United States circuit court today ordered a sale of the car companies controlled by the Union Traction company. The receivers of the companies applied for authority to issue certificates to pay for equipment, repairs, etc. The bond holders objected and intimated that the court should sell the property. Judge Grossup in the interests of the bond holders and stock holders declined to order the sale and ordered the Union Traction company to produce the money required by the receivers, under their agreement with the underlying companies.

STRIKE ENDED

LONGSHOREMEN MADE APPLICATION FOR RE-INSTATEMENT.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The strike of the one hundred and fifty longshoremen in the employ of the Merchants and Miners Transportation company, this city, was ended today, when the men made application for re-instatement. About fifty were taken back at once, the company informing the others that they would be re-instated as soon as vacancies occurred, though none of the strike breakers would be discharged to create vacancies. The longshoremen went back because they believed their cause was hopeless. The strike, which has been in progress for three weeks, was brought about by the discharge of three unionists.

BAND OF ROBBERS

BELL-BOYS WERE PLACED UNDER ARREST.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A gang of bellboys organized to steal the property of guests in the down-town hotels, has been discovered by the police and money and jewelry amounting to nearly $1,000 have been found in their possession. Among the thefts admitted by the band was that of 16 diamonds from an actress, who is staying at a down-town hotel. One of the boys was called the "Transom monkey." Their plan, he said, was to rob guests as they slept. It is said that they sometimes used chloroform.

DRANK POISON

WELL KNOWN BOSTON TAILOR COMMITTED SUICIDE.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Harris Gollance, the proprietor of a well known ladies' tailoring establishment at Park square, was found dead at his home in the South End today from the effects of drinking carbolic acid.

DIED IN BED

POLICE INVESTIGATING CAUSE OF RICH MAN'S DEATH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The police of Brooklyn today investigated the death of George W. Martin, a prominent real estate man said to be worth $500,000, who was found dead in bed in the rear parlor of his home in Brooklyn today. A bottle of chloroform stood open on the table beside the bed and the right hand of the dead man clutched a handkerchief which had been saturated with the drug.

The discovery of the body was made by Charles Miller, the dead man's valet, who said he had been absent over night and that Martin was in the habit of using chloroform when suffering from a stomach disorder.

WELL KNOWN SINGER DEAD.

SALEM Dec. 22—Miss Amanda Bailey a well known singer and a member of the famous Father Kemp concert company which toured the country forty years ago died in this city today. She was 78 years old. She was born in Cookshire, Quebec. Miss Bailey composed a number of hymns and was the author of several hymns.

THEY ARE GUILTY

Verdict in the Conspiracy Cases

BOSTON, Dec. 22—A verdict of guilty for conspiracy to defraud the United States government was reported today in the United States district court against Samuel Gruenberg and Charles A. Baitler of the Glasgow Mfg. Company, and John W. Trafton and James A. Shedd, formerly examiners of imports for the government. The specific charge against all four defendants was that they had entered into a conspiracy to bring into this country dry goods without paying the revenue required by law. The principal violation of the law was by importing laces from Switzerland and by undervaluing them to defraud the government of its legal tariff. The jury which considered these cases retired at noon yesterday and did not reach a verdict until just before the court came in today. Judge Francis Lowell received the report. The trial lasted forty days.

Counsel for the defence gave notice that they would file a bill of exceptions. Notice of a motion for a new trial was also given. It is understood that the most important matter to be considered in the exceptions will be the question as to what constitutes conspiracy. It is intended to carry this matter to the United States supreme court upon specific points never before raised in this country. The maximum federal penalty for conspiracy to defraud is two years' imprisonment or a fine of $10,000, or both.

VERDICT OF $500

FOR WOMAN WHO WAS STRIPPED AND WHIPPED.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—Miss Priscilla Odell has been given a verdict of $500 by a jury in the district court at Independence against Julia Bets, H. R. ets, G. W. Bets, Euphemia Raley, Charles N. Raley and Maggie J. Cooper whom she charged with whipping her publicly. All are residents of Atherton, Mo. Miss Odell who was a clerk in the store of J. C. H. Hiffner was, according to the evidence, taken from the store one night last February, stripped off her clothing and whipped with a rope. The women accused of taking part in the whipping are married.

PRACTICAL TEST

TO DETERMINE RELATION BETWEEN DIPHTHERIA AND SPOTTED FEVER.

BRISTOL, Conn., Dec. 22.—The first practical test of the theory recently advanced by Dr. Wolff of Hartford, a bacteriological expert whose experiments would indicate a definite relation between diphtheria and cerebro-spinal meningitis or "spotted fever" which has caused many deaths in this section within the last few months, is being made in Forestville. A young daughter of Frank Dietrich was taken sick yesterday with "spotted fever" and the disease progressed so rapidly that when a physician arrived he considered the case almost helpless. As a last resort 6000 units of diphtheria anti-toxin were administered with the result that the patient was much improved today and there is thought to be a good prospect of recovery. The experiment is being followed with great interest by local physicians as there have been twelve deaths from the disease in this town in as many weeks.

FINANCIAL LOSS

CAUSED BY COLD WEATHER AND LOW WATER.

CHESTER, Vt., Dec. 22.—Unusually cold weather, lack of snow and low water in the streams are causing much inconvenience and considerable financial loss to residents of this section of Vermont. There have ben few mornings this month when the mercury in local thermometers has not gone down as far as zero and on several days it has dropped from 12 to 18 below. There has not been enough snow to maintain sleighing for more than a day or two and as a result the ground is frozen to a depth of fifteen inches. Lumbermen are unable to get their logs out of the woods and farmers have the same difficulty with their cord-wood.

PRINCE ULLAH

WILL VISIT THE VICEROY OF INDIA.

PESHWAR, Northern India, Dec. 22.—Prince Inayat Ullah, son of the Ameer of Afghanistan, has arrived here on his way to visit Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the viceroy of India. The prince with a considerable suite left Kabul for India at about the same time that the British mission, headed by foreign secretary of the Indian government, Louis Dan, started for Kabul, the Afghan capital.

THEY MAY STRIKE

THREAT MADE BY COLUMBIA SOPHOMORES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Dean Frederick R. Putton of the school of applied science at Columbia university, who has been ordered by President Butler to investigate the hazing of Kingdon Gould on Tuesday, had a conference today with the students who chased young Gould when he fired a revolver over their heads. The men were A. A. Gelhinger, president of the science sophomores, William Halley, R. W. Cauchers and F. Lage.

Dean Putton said that although there was no great opposition on the part of the faculty to class rivalry and to fighting on South field between the freshmen and sophomores, the faculty was opposed to the practice of kidnapping single freshmen or groups by the upper class men and was determined to stop the custom. The dean said that if suspension of the culprit sophomores would produce that effect they would be suspended. He asked if the students would take suspension with good grace. They replied that they did not deserve it. The dean asked also whether the sophomore class would look on their classmates as martyrs if they were suspended. The students were unable to answer but the general sentiment was that the class would "strike". Dean Putton did not seek to excuse Gould's action but said it was never fair for a crowd to set on one man. If it had been one against one the whole matter would have been legitimate. The fate of the sophomores is to be decided by the faculty today and announced to them tomorrow.

Kingdon Gould has been asked to appear before Dean Putton to give his testimony.

IN CIVIL SERVICE

Dates Announced of Coming Examinations

The civil service commissioners have notified City Clerk Dadman that examinations will be held in Lowell on the following dates: March 2, clerks, messengers, Schedule A, class 1; March 3, Clerks, messengers, Schedule A, class 2; March 6, foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, Schedule B, class 6; March 6, schoolhouse janitors, Schedule B, class 1; March 29, Schedule B, class 3.

A DENSE FOG

MADE LONDON'S NOON LOOK LIKE MIDNIGHT.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—London was enveloped yesterday afternoon in a black fog more dense than anything witnessed during the past two years. As early as 2 p. m. the city was lighted up as at night, but even electricity and gas failed to dispel the gloom. The fog was particularly thick in the west end, where the streets were crowded with Christmas shoppers. In many places the traffic was almost completely stopped and the greatest care was necessary to avoid accidents, a number of which were reported.

As night closed in the density increased and the effect was extremely weird, the most brilliant electric light only serving to make the darkness visible. In the most crowded section of the centre of London vehicle traffic was completely stopped, pedestrians lost their way and policemen their sense of direction. Torchboys did a roaring business.

Queen Alexandra, who intended to leave London for Sandringham last evening, postponed her departure on account of the fog and the consequent difficulty of driving to the station from Buckingham palace.

PRINCESS LOUISE

WAS NOT ALLOWED TO SEE HER CHILDREN.

DRESDEN, Dec. 22.—The former Crown Princess Louise who now bears the title of Countess Montignoso, arrived here unexpectedly today. Accompanied by a lawyer, she proceeded soon after her arrival to the Taschenberg palace and asked to be permitted to see her children. Permission, however, was refused and the princess announced her intention of leaving Dresden this afternoon. King Frederick Augusts, who is on a shooting excursion, has been informed of the arrival of his former wife.

The Princess Louise eloped in December, 1902, with M. Giron, the French tutor of her children and was subsequently divorced by her husband, now King of Saxony.

SENATOR DEPEW

WILL NOT SPEAK OF HIS CONFERENCE WITH ODELL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Governor Odell left this city early today for Albany. Senator Depew, who with former Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff, conferred with the governor late last night, said today that it would be injudicious for him to say anything at this time about his talk with Governor Odell. The committee appointed by the Platt-Depew conference yesterday to notify Governor Odell of the sentiment of the conferees was expected to report to Platt the result of Chairman Woodruff's talk with Governor Odell last night.

LEGION OF HONOR DECORATIONS

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The minister of commerce has decided to present a bill to the chamber of deputies authorizing 250 decorations of the Legion of Honor of various ranks in connection with the St. Louis exposition. Practically they will all go to French exhibitors.

HE WILL RETIRE.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 22.—Mason Trowbridge, instructor in rhetoric at Yale, has decided to retire at the end of the present year. For several years he has been the official head coach of the Yale intercollegiate debating team.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Miss Edith Gumb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Gumb, observed the fifteenth anniversary of her birth at her home, 28 Anderson street, Tuesday night. About 25 of the young lady's friends were present and games were enjoyed during the evening. A fine musical and literary program was also carried out, and refreshments were served. The little hostess was the recipient of many beautiful and appropriate presents.

WILL EXPLORE THE ARCTIC.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—The admiralty is perfecting arrangements to despatch as soon as the war is over an expedition, headed by Admiral Vilchitsky, chief of the hydrographic bureau, to explore the Arctic routes to the Far East especially with reference to the question of ice blocks in Kara Straits. The expedition may require some three to five years to complete its work.

FIRE, SMOKE AND WATER SALE

Our furniture and household goods will be sold at Public Auction beginning Saturday, December 24, at 2 p.m., and every day and evening until goods are sold.

A big hole has been made in our stock by the fire but there is still a big and well assorted stock left to be sold. We are anxious to bring in our new stock which had been ordered and on its way here when the fire occurred. Therefore it is imperative to force out this present stock at your price.

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From Late Edition Yesterday

BROWN TAIL MOTH

City Council Side-tracks Commission's Request

THOUGH A PEST IS THREATENED

Nests Should be Destroyed Without Delay

Throughout the city one needs but to look at the trees with the naked eye to discern thousands of brown tail moth nests hanging to the branches and threatening a grievous pest next spring.

Yet with this fact apparent it would seem that the city council has side-tracked an order for $500 to be spent by the park commission for the extermination of the moth. Mayor Howe recommended the order which the commission introduced and both branches, it seems, referred the order to the committee on appropriations. The latter met last night but did not act on the order and hence unless the matter is taken up by means of a special meeting of the committee the order will have to go over until next year.

The time to do the work of extermination is at present while the moths are in the nest. In the spring it will be too late to do any good work.

The city council should lose no time in providing the money for this important work.

TWO MORE WARDS

Registrars Recount Vote of Seven Wards

The registrars of voters finished their day's work at 8 o'clock last evening. The closing work was with precinct 1 of ward 7. In this precinct Walker lost 3, and Welch lost 2, Taylor lost 1, Fairweather gained 2, and blanks gained 6.

This morning the registrars resumed work at 9.30 and counted up to 1 o'clock when they adjourned for dinner. They completed ward seven at noon adjournment and expect to finish their work and give out the corrected totals tonight. There were no material changes in the ward seven count.

STORE THIEVES

POLICE IN CITIZENS CLOTHES LOOKING AFTER STORES.

Store thieves who do a thriving business in Lowell during the Christmas holidays will have more than the floor walkers to look out for. The police are unusually active this year in looking after the stores and the few thefts reported thus far were of a minor nature. Several police have been detailed to look after the stores. They are not in uniform and as the opportunity to make manifest their ability as detectives is a good one they, no doubt, will keep an eye on suspicious characters.

LOWELL CASES

THREE DISPOSED OF IN SUPERIOR COURT.

Among the Lowell cases called at the superior criminal court in East Cambridge today was that of Ira Kent charged with the larceny of watches from Wood the Central street jeweler. Kent pleaded guilty and was placed on probation.

When Michael J. Carroll was convicted of drunkenness in the local police court he was sentenced to two months in jail. He appealed and was held for the superior court. His case was called today and the sentence of the lower court was sustained.

Joseph J. Grooms of this city was charged with assault and battery and his case was placed on file.

NARROW ESCAPE

LARGE PIECE OF ICE FELL IN MERRIMACK STREET.

Two women and a man had a narrow escape from serious injury at the corner of Merrimack and John streets about 2.30 this afternoon.

As they were passing the Marble Bank building on the corner a piece of ice weighing about 10 pounds fell from the roof to the ground below striking the sidewalk with a crash and breaking into innumerable smaller pieces. The sidewalk was crowded and it was next to miraculous that no one was injured. The ice passed between two women and a man, giving them a bad scare.

PERSONALS

Messrs. Edward P. Heelon and Bernard J. Rourke, Lowell students at Holy Cross college are home for the Christmas holidays.

Walter Owen Teague, professor of mechanical engineering, school of mining, affiliated to Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, is spending the holidays with his family in Pawtucketville.

DEATHS

HADLEY—Raymond E. Hadley, aged five months and 24 days, son of Everett E. and Lilla M., died yesterday at the home of his parents, 17 South Loring street.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, friends invited.

BLACKIE—Mrs. Mary E. Blackie, aged 49 years, died at her home, 216 Wilder street. She was the wife of Robert A., and is survived by five daughters, Nellie, Margaret, Eva, Edith and Nina.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Friends invited.

PLEADED GUILTY

Boles Admitted Killing Wife and Children

DEDHAM, Dec. 22—Henry F. Boles indicted on the charge of the murder of his wife, Annie M. Boles and policeman Jos. McMurray at Brookline, October 17, today pleaded guilty to both charges in the district court here. He was remanded to jail to await trial.

Judge Sherman asked Boles if he had secured any counsel and Boles replied that he had not and that he did not want any. The court then ordered him to plead to the indictment charging the murder of McMurray. He pleaded guilty. He said further:

"I don't know how it happened any way."

To the charge of the murder of his wife, he also pleaded guilty. Judge Sherman then explained the degrees of murder and asked the defendant if he understood the consequences of his plans. "I don't care what they will be," exclaimed Boles.

"You can do just what you please about it. I don't give a d—— what you do."

Judge Sherman ordered that a plea of not guilty on the McMurray charge be recorded.

The court assigned Thomas Grover and F. G. Chapman as counsel for Boles. The prisoner was remanded to the county jail.

FOUR MEN KILLED

Many Others Were Nearly Suffocated

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 22.—Four men were instantly killed and many others were nearly suffocated today as the result of an explosion in Reese Hammond & Co.'s coal mine at Bolivar, Pa., just east of this city.

DENOUNCED POLICE

DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEROME ON THE WARPATH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—After denouncing the local police force for alleged failure even to attempt to enforce the present excise law as provided by the measure which has been become known as the Raines law, District Attorney Jerome today announced that he would soon have ready a long statement which he hopes to have made law by the action of the legislature.

The announcement was made by Mr. Jerome after he had read the statement of State Senator John Raines to the effect that the trouble in this city was wholly due to the failure of the police to enforce his famous excise law. Senator Raines' views were in a measure endorsed by the district attorney but at the same time he declared that the Raines law did not appeal to him as by any means a perfect measure.

NICHOLSON FREE

HAD SERVED TWENTY YEARS FOR WIFE MURDER.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—James Nicholson, under life sentence for the murder of his wife in this city in 1884, was released from state prison this noon, he having been pardoned earlier in the day by Governor Bates on recommendation of the executive council. The pardon was granted because of the prisoner's exemplary conduct since his incarceration in 1884 and mitigating circumstances of the crime.

PACIFIC FLEET

WILL BE IN CHARGE OF ADMIRAL ROJESTVENSKY.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—Inquiries made at the admiralty all tend to confirm the report that Admiral Rojestvensky will succeed Admiral Skrydloff in supreme command of the Pacific fleet the latter returning here as a member of the admiralty council.

JAPAN WILLING

READY TO NEGOTIATE AN ARBITRATION TREATY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Mr. Hiold, charge d'affaires of the Japanese legation, called on Secretary Hay today. At the conclusion of the conference he said that Japan is willing to negotiate an arbitration treaty with this country. No steps were taken today, he said, regarding this matter. The treaty will be along the lines suggested by Secretary Hay in his invitation to the powers to negotiate arbitration treaties with the government.

AN INVESTIGATION

INTO THE BURNING OF THE GLEN ISLAND.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The story of the burning of the Star line steamer Glen Island in Long Island Sound last Saturday with the loss of nine lives was reported today when an investigation into the causes of the disaster was begun before a special board representing the local board of steamboat inspectors. Captain Charles McAllister, who was in command of the boat at the time, was the first witness. He was examined at great length as to the condition of the steamer, the facilities for the protection in life in case of fire and the course pursued by himself and his crew when it was learned that a fire had started.

PROMINENT CITIZEN DEAD.

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., Dec. 22.—Wm. H. Gaylord, 83 years old, one of the town's most public-spirited citizens died today. Mr. Gaylord was the donor of a soldiers' monument and recently presented to the town a handsome stone public library building.

COUNSEL BABSON

PRESSES MAYOR COLLINS' MOTION FOR FAIR MARKET VALUE.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Corporation Counsel Babson of the city of Boston at the resumption of the hearing before the board of gas and electric light commissioners on the proposed gas company consolidation today, pressed the motion of Mayor Collins, asking the board to decide that "fair value" in the statute means "fair market value." He asked the commission to throw out entirely the report of Expert Appraiser Humphreys, on the ground that his valuation of the gas plants was made upon an illegal basis. Mr. Babson alleges the expert's appraisal is much too high and that, therefore, he is called upon to protest because of the city petition for lower gas.

The commissioners made no ruling today on counsel Babson's motion. The hearing was adjourned until January 6, after the board had listened to an attack on the Boston Gas company by Lawyer John B. Moran, who claimed to be acting in his own behalf.

BOAT OVERTURNED

PROBABLY IS THE BRITISH SCHOONER IVANHOE.

GLASGOW, Dec. 22.—The Norwegian ship Stamboul, Captain Feyling, which arrived at Methil, Scotland, Dec. 20, from Pensacola, Fla., reports that she signalled Nov. 16 in latitude 31 and longitude 57 an overturned vessel which Captain Feyling believes to be the British schooner Ivanhoe, Captain Hare, which sailed from Halifax, N. S., November 5, for Nassau, which has been posted as overdue. Captain Feyling examined the wreckage and saw a corpse near it.

OFFICIAL SPEED TRIAL.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The new U. S. protected cruiser Chattanooga, which was partially constructed by a private ship building concern, but completed by the government at New York on account of the failure of the company, will have her official speed trial over the Cape Ann course on Dec. 30. It is planned that the official trial board will join the vessel at Newport, R. I. On two preliminary trials, the Chattanooga attained 17.3 knots. Her contract calls for 16 knots an hour.

STATE GRANGE CLOSED.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 22—The third and closing day of the annual session of the New Hampshire state grange in this city opened with an early morning excursion to Durham, where the delegates inspected the buildings and equipment of the New Hampshire college. On their return they listened to the final reports of committees appointed during the session. After the closing up of unfinished business, adjournment was taken.

SCHOONER FLOATED.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Dec. 22.—The schooner Lodiskia, coal laden, which went ashore on the east side of the harbor in Sunday's gale, was floated at high water today by the revenue cutter Mackinac. The Lodiskia is bound from South Amboy for Portsmouth, N. H.

COUNT CASSINI BETTER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador who has been ill for several days is still confined to his room, but at the embassy today it was said that the ambassador's condition was not serious. The countess who also has been indisposed is better.

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MANAGER LAKE

Not Decided Yet Where to Locate

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—An enthusiastic meeting of the New England league of baseball clubs was held at the Parker house yesterday afternoon and evening. Those in attendance were President T. H. Murnane, Secretary J. C. Morse, both of this city; A. G. Doe of New Bedford; T. F. McDermott, Fall River; J. J. Carrigg, Secretary J. F. Maroney, Manager W. R. Hamilton, Haverhill; President Martin T. Mack, Secretary William Fitzgerald, Manager William Connors, Lowell; President William F. Ray, Secretary Charles L. Mason, Concord, N. H.; S. D. Flanagan, Lawrence; Fred Lake, Nashua, N. J., and W. J. Freeman, Manchester, N. H.

It was voted to give the Nashua club until Feb. 1 to decide where it would locate next season.

It is understood that Taunton, Pawtucket and Nashua are desirous of obtaining the Lawrence franchise.

Mr. Flanagan, representing the Lawrence club, said that unless strong inducements to move his club were offered he would remain in Lawrence.

It was voted to begin the next playing season on Friday, April 28, and bring it to a close on Saturday, Sept. 5, a season of 19 weeks. Last season there were scheduled 18 games in each series—nine at home and nine abroad. Next season the league will go back to a schedule which will call for 16 games in each series—eight at home and the same number abroad.

It was voted to hold the next schedule meeting in the Parker house in this city, Feb. 23, 1905, at 12 o'clock. The schedule committee chosen consisted of New Bedford (chairman) Manchester, Fall River, Haverhill and Nashua.

Concord, Manchester, New Bedford and Lowell were chosen members of the board of directors.

It was voted that each club must deposit $300 with the treasurer on or before the schedule meeting of the league. It was voted to adopt a team salary limit of $1500 per month, this to include the playing manager's salary of $100.

By unanimous vote life honorary membership was voted to John F. Smith, who has been so long identified with the organization, and a vote of thanks was tendered him for past services.

An honorary life membership was also voted to C. D. White of Chicago.

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Five rooms, School street	8.00
Five rooms, Watson street	8.00
Store and 3 rooms, Central st	14.00
Four rooms, Central street	7.00
Five rooms, Central street	12.00
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JACK TAYLOR

ACCUSED OF THROWING GAME IN 1903.

The case of Pitcher Jack Taylor, accused some time ago by James A. Hart of the Chicago National League Club of throwing a game to the Chicago Americans in the fall of 1903, will be investigated by the National Baseball Commission, if President Ban Johnson and Charles Comiskey of the American League have their way. Taylor was a member of the Chicago Nationals when he took part in the game referred to and was afterward traded to St. Louis in the same league. Last summer, in a talk Manager Selee of the Chicago Nationals said that his team would play no more games with the Chicago Americans, because there had been crooked dealings. Selee mentioned no names, but said that one of his pitchers was under suspicion. Later the statement came from Hart that Taylor had been fixed and for a sum of money had deliberately lost a game to the Americans. Comiskey, the owner of the Americans, naturally felt that he was under suspicion also, and promptly demanded an investigation. Taylor also came to time with a statement that unless Hart made a retraction he would bring a suit for damages for defamation of character.

Both Johnson and Comiskey backed Taylor up and declared that the matter was worthy of the consideration of the national board, at the same time saying that if Taylor should be found guilty, he would be blacklisted, but that if Hart could not substantiate the charges he would have to retire from professional baseball. With the controversy at the boiling point, Hart now says that he never made any charges against Taylor and states that it will not be necessary for him to appear before the national commission. But Comiskey and Johnson will not allow the case to be dropped and intend to bring Hart to a realizing sense of the wrong he has done in blackening the honesty of the national game.

Charges of crookedness in baseball have not been heard, until this particular incident since the blacklisting of Hall, Devlin, Craven and Nichols twenty-five years ago. These men were caught redhanded and the National League promptly put them out of the profession forever. Even during the bitter Brotherhood war of 1890 there was never the slightest hint that the games were not on the square. But with the bad blood displayed by both the National and American leagues in their recent warfare came bold statements that were made with the intention of injuring not only the game itself, but everybody connected with it. Last June a malicious statement came out of Pittsburg to the effect that the American League race was fixed and that Griffith's New Yorks could not lose the pennant. The assertion was sent broadcast and thousands of baseball fans were inclined to believe that there was something in it when the Bostons and New Yorks came down the home stretch neck and neck. At the wind-up of the big race, when the championship depended on a single game at the local American League grounds, thousands went to the scene of action believing that there would be something doing. But when the Bostons won the championship in the first game of a double header the honesty of the sport was more firmly established than ever before. A man who "fixed" a ball player would be indiscreet, to say the least, for the ball player would practically own him in the way of a hold-up salary for years to follow. Whatever may have been said about the faults of those in charge of professional baseball and the behavior of rowdy players on the field, no man can say, with proof, that the sport itself has not been always clean and on the level.

JIMMY KELLY

WAS GIVEN THE DECISION OVER FRANK CARSEY.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—Before the Young Men's club last night, Jimmy Kelly of Chicago was given the decision over Frank Carsey of New York in a ten round bout at 120 pounds. The decision, rendered by an amateur referee was hissed by the crowd. Carsey had Kelly going in the last rounds, having out-fought him all during the contest.

COUNTED OUT

ATTELL WON AGAIN FROM JIMMY FEGAN.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—After fighting Monte Attell of San Francisco to a standstill during the first nine rounds of what was to have been a 20-round go, Johnny Regan of New York was knocked out in the 17th round before the West End club last night. Regan again, as in his previous encounters with Attell, cast his stalling tactics away and waded into the Californian from the first ring of the gong. Regan's lead was marked until the half way point was reached, including a clean knock down in the sixth round. From the 11th round Attell steadily improved until near the end of the 17th round he swung viciously on Regan's jaw, dazing him. A lightning left and right to the same spot sent Regan to the floor and he was counted out. This was Attell's third consecutive victory over Regan.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Michael L. Donahue, late of Chelmsford in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Florence C. Donahue, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to her, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of January A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and four.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Addelaide Beatty, of Lowell in said County, that she was lawfully married to John H. Beatty, now of parts unknown to your libellant at Rochester in the State of New York on the twenty-seventh day of July A. D. 1898, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said John H. Beatty lived together as husband and wife in the State of New York, at said Rochester and at Tweed, in the Dominion of Canada, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said John H. Beatty being wholly regardless of the same, at Tweed in said Dominion of Canada on or about the first day of November 1896, did utterly desert your libellant and has continued such desertion to the present time, being more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel, and your libellant has resided in this Commonwealth to wit: at Lowell aforesaid for more than five years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said John H. Beatty and that the custody of their minor child Thelma May Beatty, age 6 years, be given to your libellant.

Dated this seventh day of October A. D. 1903.

ADDELAIDE BEATTY.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, October 19, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of February next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the County of Middlesex once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

Rev. Ralph Gillam, who is in this city for a few days, has been asked to accept a pastorate here. He declined to accept the offer. He says he has returned to evangelical work for life.

LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Barnard Itzkowitz to Charles Daggett, dated April 22nd, 1903, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 354, Page 212, will be sold at public auction upon the premises in Chelmsford on Saturday, the 31st day of December, 1904, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain lot of land situated in Chelmsford aforesaid in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, containing ninety and 47-100 acres, with the buildings thereon and the mill privilege and water power thereto appurtenant and belonging and being all the same land, mill privilege and water power conveyed to Edwin Lincoln Russell by Abbott Russell by deed dated August 5th, A. D. 1886, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 240, Page 160, to which deed reference is hereby made for a particular description of the land and rights therein conveyed. Also a certain other parcel of land situated in said Chelmsford containing four and 36-100 acres, and called the "Meadow" and being the same land conveyed to the said E. Lincoln Russell by Luther C. Upham, Trustee by deed dated July 23rd A. D. 1887, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 221, Page 508, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also another certain parcel of woodland situated in the southeasterly part of said Chelmsford on the southerly side of the road leading to Russell's Mills, containing one acre and being the same premises conveyed to the said E. Lincoln Russell by Mary Sweetser by deed dated November 24th, A. D. 1891, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 241, Page 228, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain other parcel of land situated in the southeasterly part of said Chelmsford containing one and one-half acres, more or less, and being the same land conveyed to the said E. Lincoln Russell by Adeline P. Spalding by deed dated October 30th A. D. 1890, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 221, Page 114, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain lot of land situated in the southeasterly part of said Chelmsford known as the "Mill Pond Lot" containing twenty acres and fifty-eight square rods, more or less, and being the same land conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by John S. Shedd by deed dated October 13th, A. D. 1890, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 221, Page 115, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said lot. Also a certain parcel of land situated in said Chelmsford, containing six acres, more or less, known as the "Salathiel Adams Meadow" and being the same land conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by Mary A. Duren by deed dated August 4th, A. D. 1894, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 257, Page 362 to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain lot of land situated in said Chelmsford containing ten acres, more or less, located on the Boston Road, so-called, and being the same land conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by the Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance Company, by deed dated April 12th A. D. 1899, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, on the 16th day of February, A. D. 1901, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain other tract of wood-land containing thirty-six acres and one hundred thirty-three square rods, situated in Billerica, in said County of Middlesex and being the same premises conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell, by Julia E. Warren by deed dated April 25th, A. D. 1898, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 300, Page 259, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain parcel of wood-land situated in said Billerica, containing twelve acres, more or less, and being the same premises conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by Henry Duren by deed dated February 18th, A. D. 1893, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 241 Page 230, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Saving and excepting from said conveyance a certain tract of land with the buildings thereon conveyed to Arthur M. Warren by said Charles Daggett by deed dated July 20th, A. D. 1901, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 345, Page 201, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Being the same premises conveyed to the said Barnard Itzkowitz by the said Charles Daggett by deed dated April 22nd, 1903, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds.

Terms at sale.

CHARLES DAGGETT, Mortgagee.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Yesterday afternoon from a buggy, a box containing a bathrobe. Finder please leave at this office.

LOST—An express book, belonging to the Lowell Special Delivery. The finder will be rewarded by leaving at 42 Varney st.

LOST—Envelope containing sum of money between Lane st. and Appleton Co. office, Jackson st. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to 37 Lane st.

LOST—Young black dog, part spaniel, answers to name Peto. Reward at Joseph O'Brien's, 27 Dumphey st, Pawtucketville.

LOST—Black cocker spaniel, long tail, name "Phil." $15 reward for return or information leading to recovery. H. H. Wright, Concord, N. H. Box 686.

LOST—A black wrist bag containing pocketbook, bills and change, also tickets for Highland club ball. Return to Room 5 Glidden building.

FOUND—On Merrimack street a pocketbook containing a sum of money. Call at The Sun Office.

LOST—A bunch of flat keys, between Grafton Hall and Simpson st., if found return to Grafton Hall, Merrimack st.

LOST—A pocketbook yesterday some where between Mercier Hotel Lakeview or at Willow Dale entrance. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Sun Office.

LOST—Nov. 26, a pair of brown rosary beads with large medal attached. Return to 49 Bartlett st.

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REMOVES moles, wrinkles, freckles and black heads without steam or harming the complexion at the New York Hair Dressing Parlors. 97 Central st., Room 5.

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WILL THE PERSON who made a mistake in money call at 25 Cross st., Mrs. D. Lyons, and identify it. Can have same by paying for this adv.

GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHES cleaned and pressed, rates reasonable, special prices to weekly customers. Stanislus Blondin, 225 Cumberland Road.

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MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY LOANED salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters and others, without security, easy payments, offices in 60 leading cities. Tolman, room 48, Hildreth Building, 45 Merrimack st.

MONEY LOANED—Our plan of loaning money on salaries is the most liberal to be found anywhere, and is especially appreciated by Teachers, Clerks, Salesmen and Business workers. Easy weekly payments. All transactions confidential. Massachusetts Loan Company, 13 Merrimack Sq., 16 Prescott street, Room 2.

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TO LET

TO LET—A new modern down stairs tenement on Burlington Ave., near Normal school. Inquire at 33 Columbus Ave.

TO LET—Nice sunny tenement of seven rooms, cor. Floyd and Mead sts. Inquire at 18 Floyd st. Rent low.

TO LET—Newly furnished front room on Nesmith st., with steam heat, bath and telephone. Apply C. H., this office.

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TO LET—Three stores newly fitted, good for any business, in good location. Inquire at 34 Jackson st.

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TO LET—Convenient locality 10-room house, furnace heat, all improvements, a pleasant street, could let rooms. Apply Charles M. Erskine, room 32, Hildreth Building.

TO LET—A cottage house of 7 rooms, hot and cold water and bath, furnace. 102 Bowers st., also tenement of six rooms 78 Mt. Vernon st., equipped same as cottage. Inquire at 96 Bowers st.

TO LET—Nice tenement of five rooms with toilet. Newly painted and papered. 336 Fletcher st.

TO LET—12 room house near Shaw Stocking Co., fine location for boarders, rent reasonable. Apply to H. A. Wright, 10 Barristers' Hall.

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TO LET—Very convenient front and side room, single or otherwise, modern conveniences, reasonable to respectable parties. 571 Gorham st. opp. Court House.

TO LET—A finely appointed flat, 239 Liberty st. Everything new, large rooms, open plumbing, steam heat. On line of street cars. Inquire at 241 Liberty st.

TO LET—6 beautiful flats, with bath room and hot and cold water in the New Nolan Block at the junction of Central and Chapel sts. Everything in first class order, for further particulars inquire of John Nolan, 344 Central st.

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I HAVE A FEW hundred dollars to invest in a paying business where services are required for a fair salary. State nature of business. Address B., Sun Office.

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FOR SALE—On Rogers street, Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanaugh, Donovan building, Central st.

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FOR SALE—The best double runner in Lowell, sleds over five feet long, also very nice upholstered baby sleigh. Can be seen at 331 Walker st.

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FOR SALE—Hot lunch served at the bath house, 501 Pawtucket st. for skaters. Good skating above the dam.

FOR SALE—Child's sleigh, excellent condition. Inquire at 348 Wilder st. near Westford st.

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FOR SALE—Wood yard, old stand, first motor, teams and doing $100 a week. $800. Greene, 98 Central st.

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FOR SALE—A covered pung, side doors, glass front, in first class condition, suitable for baker or milkman. Call at Roscoe's paint shop, Willie st.

LEGAL TRADING STAMPS—Special. We give 150 with one pound of our 70c tea; 100 with our 60c tea; 50 with our 50c tea; 30 with our 35c coffee; 120 with one pound Baking Powder at 50c; 30 with vanilla extracts, etc., 25c. The Elwood Tea Co., Junction of Gorham and Thorndike sts.

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MISCELLANEOUS

WHITE SEWING MACHINE CO.—Before buying an Xmas present call and see our special rotary machine, it is the lightest and fastest running machine in the market, second hand machines for sale, lock and chain stitch, 376 Bridge st.

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LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women. Price 25 cents, druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

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HELP WANTED

WANTED—A good bright hustler to solicit and collect. Apply Box D. E., Sun Office.

WANTED—A woman for general housework at 241 Cabot st.

WANTED—A man to work on farm, no milking, steady work. Michael Whelton, Mammoth Road.

WANTED—Stenographer, one willing to begin for $5 a week. Good chance to gain experience. Address Y. Z., this office.

WANTED—Middle aged woman to take care of two children and assist in housework. Call at 4 Conlen's court off Fayette street.

WANTED—Housekeeper wanted at 39 Brooks st. Call after 7 p. m.

WANTED—One or two sober, steady, reliable men, for permanent out door position. Must be of neat appearance. Apply Room 5, 5 Merrimack square.

WANTED—A young man who can sell and deliver kindling wood, no other need apply, good pay, steady work. Inquire at Sun Office.

WANTED

WANTED—One or two children to board in private family, good home. Inquire 659 Pleasant st., Dracut Centre.

CASH PAID for apples at car, Thorndike st. track. Bring along your apples, take back your money and barrels. Harrison & Co., 39 Chelmsford st.

WANTED—Baby to board in a desirable home. Inquire 658 Pleasant st., Dracut Centre.

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WANTED—For cash 25 or 30 early pullets any breed. Inquire at Sun Office.

WANTED—Stable manure in large or small lots. Telephone or drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. D., No. 1.

SITUATIONS WANTED

SITUATION WANTED—Position as lumber surveyor. Inquire at Sun Office.

SITUATION WANTED—A married woman with no children wants a situation as matron in a public building. Can furnish the best of reference. Apply to the Sun Office.

WANTED—A situation by a thoroughly experienced stenographer and bookkeeper. Would make herself generally useful in an office. Good references. Address C. J., Sun Office.

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Women's and Men's Umbrellas 69c to $5

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Men's Smoking Jackets or House Coats, made of worsteds and homespuns, fancy trimmings and linings, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00, $8.00 and $10.00

Men's Lounging Robes, fine wool material, all colors, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00, $7.00, $8.00 and $10.00

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In velvet, vici, box calf and alligator, all styles, in black and tan colors, 45c, 75c, 99c, $1.23, $1.50, $2.00

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Handsome silk Neckwear, in four-in-hands and tecks, assorted colors, 25c

Two and three-inch French four-in-hands, puffs and ascots, made of pure silk 48c

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Fine mercerized Lisle Suspenders, put up one pair in a box 25c

Fine silk or satin Suspenders 50c

All silk Suspenders, fancy buckles, assorted colors, put up in a box, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

HANDKERCHIEFS

Linen Handkerchiefs, plain, hemstitched and initial 12½c, 10c and 25c

Silk Handkerchiefs, plain and initial 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00

FANCY VESTS

Men's White and Fancy Vests, in crash, duck and silk, all colors and sizes $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50

Christmas Gifts for Ladies

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS

Pure linen Handkerchiefs, put up 6 in a box, $1.50 Box; or 25c Each

Guaranteed pure linen initial Handkerchiefs, put up 6 in a box. These are part of a large purchase and are an exceptional value, at 12½c Each; or 69c Box

Plain hemstitched Handkerchiefs, all linen ..... 10c Each

Fancy linen Handkerchiefs ..... 55c Dozen; or 5c Each

LADIES' NECKWEAR

Stocks, made of Venice lace, with chiffon jabot and ruching; neckpieces of chiffon, with jabot, taffeta silk stocks decorated with steel and gold beads, put up in a fancy box 48c

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Ladies' brilliantine Waists, in blue, black, brown and fancy plaids, made with pleats and full sleeves 98c

Ladies' nun's veiling and brilliantine Waists, in light blue, white, tan, brown and navy blue, with souffle sleeves, trimmed with medallions and tucks $1.95

Ladies' Waists, in silk and fancy trimmed nun's veiling, $2.75, $2.95 and $3.95

LADIES' SLIPPERS

Ladies' Felt Juliettes, in all colors, fur trimmed and hand sewed, 75c, 99c, $1.23 and $1.39

Ladies' four-strap Sandals, made in kid and patent leather, with low, Cuban and French heels ..... 75c, 99c, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.00

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Made of all wool material, in all the popular shades, 98c, $1.50, $1.95 and $2.00

MANAGER GRAY

Was Presented a Silver Loving Cup

GIFT OF MEMBERS OF THE TEAM

Lowell Took a Fast Game From Newburyport

The members of the Lowell Basketball team paid a pretty compliment to their manager, James J. Gray, last night, and at the same time gave public proof of the perfect harmony that exists among the members of the team.

It was after the first period of the game with Newburyport in Associate hall last night that the players assembled in the playing space and Manager Gray was called to the center of the group. Then Old Sport, carrying a large bundle, made his appearance and said that he proposed to introduce Manager Gray to a new game of passing, which he proceeded to do. He lauded Mr. Gray as the pluckiest sporting man the city ever knew, a sentiment that caught the audience all right for there was deafening applause followed by cheers for Manager Gray. Then Old Sport, in behalf of the team, presented Manager Gray a beautiful silver loving cup suitably inscribed. Mr. Gray bowed his appreciation and made his exit when there were calls for a speech.

The game itself was one that brought the fans to their feet for it abounded in good plays. "Skip" Fields played with the home team and Albie Allard was in the hall but could not play as Manager Murphy of Amesbury protested that he had first call on the former P. A. C. star and would enter a protest if Manager Gray played him. But there are two men on the Lowell team who shone as particular stars. They were the Loos brothers, "Ike" and "Bill," and they had the audience all right. "Ike" was the blocker and "Bill" was the little black-haired lad who jumped in and out of all kinds of scrimmages, carried the ball down the length of the hall, tossed baskets and did a juggling act with the ball that simply mystified his opponents. Such playing is seldom witnessed and it is the opinion of the fans now that Lowell has a man in young "Bill" Loos who is right in the class with Harry Hough and bids fair to go a few points ahead of the famous player. Toby Matthews, too, had his kangaroo jump with him and his one hand tosses into the basket were a treat. Leighton, the clever man who plays under the basket, was there as usual with his seven baskets. Fields was not in the running but it may have ben because it was his first game with the team. The visitors played a scrappy game throughout and the score does not show the fast work of the teams. It was announced that Haverhill will play Lowell in Associate hall next Monday morning at 10.30 o'clock. "Jack" O'Neil made his initial appearance as referee and carried off the honors all right.

LOWELL—44 22—NEWBURYPORT

Matthews lf	rb, H. Sheridan
Leighton rf	lb Hayes
I. Loos c	c W. Sheridan
W. Loos lb	rf Lynch
Field rb	lf Regan

Won by	Scored by	Score
Lowell	Matthews	2—0
Newburyport	Lynch	2—2
Lowell	Third foul	3—2
Lowell	Matthews	5—2
Newburyport	Third foul	5—3
Lowell	Third foul	6—3
Lowell	Matthews	8—3
Lowell	Leighton	10—3
Lowell	Third foul	11—3
Newburyport	Regan	11—5
	LIMIT.	
Newburyport	Hayes	11—7
Newburyport	Lynch	11—9
Lowell	Leighton	13—9
Newburyport	Lynch	13—11
Lowell	Matthews	15—11
Lowell	W. Loos	17—11
Lowell	Leighton	19—11
Lowell	Third foul	20—11
Lowell	I. Loos	22—11
Lowell	Field	24—11
Newburyport	Regan	24—13
Lowell	Matthews	26—13
Newburyport	Third foul	26—14
Lowell	Leighton	28—14
Lowell	Leighton	30—14
	LIMIT.	
Lowell	Leighton	32—14
Lowell	Leighton	34—14
Lowell	Matthews	36—14
Lowell	I. Loos	38—14
Newburyport	Hayes	38—16
	LIMIT.	
Lowell	Matthews	40—16
Lowell	Matthews	42—16
Newburyport	W. Sheridan	42—18
Lowell	W. Loos	44—18
Newburyport	Lynch	44—20
Newburyport	H. Sheridan	44—22

Score—Lowell 44, Newburyport 22. Goals by Matthews 7, I. Loos 2, W. Loos 2, Leighton 7, Field 2, Lynch 4, Regan 2, Hayes 2, Sheridan. Fouls by Lynch 5, I. Loos 2, W. Loos 3, Hayes, W. Sheridan 2, H. Sheridan 3, Matthews, Field, Regan 2. Referee—O'Neil of Lowell. Timers—Gray for Lowell, Healey for Newburyport. Attendance—600.

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NATICK 30, AMESBURY 24.

AMESBURY, Dec. 23.—The Amesbury New England league basketball team was defeated here last night by Natick, the locals losing in the last period by a score of 30 to 24. Natick excelled in team work, especially in passing. Page, Amesbury's new man, made his first appearance here, making three goals in the two periods played by him. The summary:

NATICK	AMESBURY
Ferat rf	lb Henschell
Fogarty	rb Donnelly
Mulliner c	c Penino
Hough rb	lf Healey
Mayham lb	rf Page
	rf Zanger

Score, Natick 30, Amesbury 24. Goals from floor, Ferat 3, Fogarty 4, Mulliner 2, Hough 5, Mayham, Healey 3, Page 3, Penino, Henschell 3, Donnelly 2. Referee, Lynch. Scorer, Breed. Timers, Zanger and Murphy. Time, three 15m. periods. Attendance, 400.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

STONEHAM, Dec. 23.—Lowell high proved too strong for the local school boys yesterday, winning 15 to 9. The passing of the visitors was clever and their shooting accurate. The summary:

LOWELL H. S.	STONEHAM H. S.
Ames rf	lb Hovey
Brock lf	rb Merrifield
Quinlan lf	
Scribner lf	
Farley c	c Parks
Lew rb	lf Ervin
Field lb	rf Tarbett

Score, Lowell H. S. 15, Stoneham H. S. 9. Goals from floor, Brock, Field 2, Farley 3, Parks 2, Hovey, Tarbett. Goals from fouls, Field, Farley 2, Parks. Referee, Connors. Umpires, Scribner and Quinlan. Scorer, Whipple. Timer, Mann. Time, two 20m periods.

Manager Gray announced yesterday that Allard, the former P. A. C. star, has been awarded to the Lowell team.

Dan Lynch of the Connecticut league, arrived home yesterday. The old Burke team did not profit by jumping to the Connecticut league.

Amesbury should be with the winners now that Qualey and Devlin have been awarded to the team.

Haverhill plays here next Monday morning at 10.30. That means a blood game all right.

Harry Hough has dropped off in his playing this week. In fact the entire Natick team seems to have gone back a peg. They're liable to take a brace yet.

Always keep in mind the fact that smoking and spitting on the floor in Associate hall are not allowed, and you will not get into trouble.

A rattling game of basketball was played between the P. A. C.'s and the Lindens at P. A. C. hall, Wednesday evening. The P. A. C.'s won by a score of 30 to 4. The features of the game were the playing of Lawton and Mallison of P. A. C. and Mahan and Joe Bluin of the Lindens. P. A. C.'s challenge any team between 16 and 18 years.

SAM LANGFORD

WON FROM REED IN NINE ROUNDS.

BERLIN, N. H., Dec. 23.—Before the Paper City A. C. last night in this city Sam Langford of Boston won from Joe Reed of Lynn after nine rounds of the fastest fighting ever seen at this club.

After the usual preliminaries the main bout came on. Reed was the first in the ring, at 11.45 p.m., Langford soon following.

Both principals agreed on Prof. Fred Wright as referee, agreed to fight with one hand free, breaking at the referee's word.

Langford had the best of the opening rounds, but Reed had slightly the advantage from the fourth until the seventh.

In the eighth round Reed broke his wrist, but still continued. In the ninth Langford set an awful pace, trying to land a knockout, but was not successful. Reed gamely fighting until the close, his wrist being then so painful that he had to give up. Referee Wright then awarded the decision to Langford. The attendance was about 400.

Oriental Bazaar, opposite Kirk st.

PARK COMMISSION

HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING LAST EVENING.

The park commission met last evening and received reports from the chairman and superintendent of commons. The members discussed the brown tail moth at some length but no action was taken. Nothing in the line of destroying the nests can be done unless there is an appropriation from the city to cover the necessary expenses.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Charles A. Taylor's latest comedy drama "The Child Wife" was presented at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening. It is a play of modern married life, full of pathos and tears, yet enlivened greatly by good wholesome comedy. The child-wife first appears as a sixteen year old school girl with her school mates. A pretended friend seeks to accomplish her father's ruin, which can only be effected by the daughter's signature to certain papers. To get her in his power is therefore the villain's purpose. Although he has the father's confidence, the daughter instinctively mistrusts him, and to prevent being consigned to his trencherous guardianship by her blindly trustful father, she impulsively marries her sweetheart, a poor inventor, and for a time foils the schemer. Undiscouraged, however, the villain plots on, and at length traps the young husband into an apparent complicity with a counterfeiting gang, has him arrested, and then carries off the wife to a hidden retreat where he imprisons her and tries to obtain the needed signatures to the papers he has prepared. She holds out bravely against his violent threats and meanwhile the husband, escaping from custody hurries to her rescue and they make their escape together. They then seek out the father, convince him of his friend's duplicity and of their own innocence. He becomes reconciled with them and the baffled villain, on the next appearance is promptly and finally "turned down." The cast engaged in presenting the play is exceptionally good for melodrama, as such companies are not always filled with an eye to artistic fitness so much as to commercial worth.

Miss Dolly Kemper plays the part of the child wife in an able manner. this lady, though young in years is old in experience on the stage. Her acting is of a very high standard and the different climaxes in which she was the most prominent figure brought forth much applause from the audience. The part of "Dwight Perkins," a young inventor, who marries the "Nellie Golden," who is afterwards known as the child wife, is played in a manner which demands favorable criticism.

Mark Ellston, in the character of Herbert Small, a scheming villainous New York attorney, fills the part to which he is assigned in a very creditable manner.

The comedy roles which play an important part in the presentation are in capable hands and ably taken care of by George E. Murphy, J. A. Curtis, Gladys Smith, May Thompson, Fannie Moore, William H. Parsons and Chas. Banks.

"The Child Wife" will be given twice today with two performances tomorrow.

WOULD ANNEX ISLANDS.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 23.—Two British warships have sailed for the Tonga islands, it is reported, with the intention to annex them.

Mr. Simon Delisle, father of Mr. Adolph Delisle of the Lowell pharmacy, is critically ill.

BRYN MAWR GIRLS

SWIMMING POOL THE BATTLE-GROUND FOR POLO.

Winter having put an end to the outdoor sports for which the girls of Bryn Mawr college are famous, these irrepressible damsels have converted themselves into a company of mermaids, and Father Neptune shakes his trident in a rage to think that they have chosen to disport behind thick walls, in the seclusion of their gymnasium. For water polo has succeeded hockey, tennis and cricket, and the chase through the 70-foot swimming pool after the elusive rubber ball has given a new joy to the college girl.

To do this requires considerable skill in swimming, and those who do not possess this accomplishment are being rapidly converted into water nymphs under the instruction of Miss Constance M. K. Applebee.

This delightful sport has captured the entire college and every girl is eager to prove her prowess in the tank. It is one of the many features of physical culture and health-giving sports to which the college authorities give close attention, and the wisdom of which is shown by the springy footstep, the snapping eye, and the rose-tinted cheek of the Bryn Mawr girl.

HER PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Throughout the four years' course, physical exercise is required of all undergraduate students, and is one of the regular requirements for the bachelor's degree. Four periods of exercise are required each week. These four periods may be divided between out of door and indoor exercise, according to the season of the year. The student may, if she prefers, take her periods of outdoor exercise in any one of the following ways: Walking, riding, cycling, skating, swimming, tennis, golf, basketball, hockey or cricket.

Indoor exercise is carried on in the gymnasium under the direction of Miss Lunette M. Garlock, director of the gymnasium. For the first year students the Swedish system is used, the German for the three upper classes.

At the close of the gymnastic work in the spring, all four classes compete for the championship in the best gymnastic work.

During the second and third weeks in March the indoor athletic meet and the swimming contests are held.

Practice for basketball begins in the gymnasium in the early spring months; as soon as the condition of the ground and the weather permit this game is played out of doors. The interclass championship games are played in May. In the autumn similar games are played for the championship in hockey. The series of match games which ended the last of November resulted in giving the championship for the third successive year to 1905.

NEW HOCKEY FIELD.

It is expected that in the spring the new hockey field just above Low buildings will be ready for use. Seven hundred dollars has been expended on it, of which $450 was raised by the students. Even with the new field, however, there will be by no means adequate accommodations for all the teams ready for play. Cricket, which was begun only last autumn, will probably rival hockey in popularity; 112 students have registered for the spring game. Also in the autumn a tennis tournament is held. A student holding the championship for three successive years is entitled to become the possessor of the trophy cup.

ROBUST WOMANHOOD.

At the beginning and close of each college year, every undergraduate student in residence and non-resident and graduate students as have registered for the gymnasium work, undergo a thorough physical examination. A chart exhibited at the St. Louis exposition gave the average measurements of the entering classes from 1885 to 1904, which indicated a marked physical development. The record of all the tests for strength show a large increase—in one case, the strength of the chest, more than 100 per cent.

The statistics of a single class, 1903, show also an increase during residence in the college in 25 out of the 28 measurements taken and in all the tests for strength. Of the 101 members of the present freshman class only 13 are not in good health. The recent estimate, therefore, of a well known physician that 40 per cent. of women are invalids certainly does not apply to the young women who are being educated in Bryn Mawr college.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

PASTOR CHOSEN

Rev. Mr. McDonough in New Position

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The corporation board of the Working Boys' home met at the home on Hemet street last evening and elected Rev. William H. McDonough, pastor of the Catholic church at Cohasset, to be superintendent of the home in this city and of St. John's Industrial home, Newton, to succeed Rev. John J. Downey.

Fr. Downey will assume the pastorate of the new parish at Beverly Farms the first week in January and Fr. McDonough will take charge of the home about the same time.

It now remains for the board of directors to ratify the election of the corporation board, which will be done within a few days.

At last night's meeting at the home there were Rt. Rev. William Byrne, DD., VG.; Rev. Fr. O'Farrell of St. Stephen's parish, North End; Rt. Rev. Denis O'Callaghan, DD., of St. Augustine's parish, South Boston; Rev. Philip J. O'Donnell, rector of St. Philip's church, South End; Rev. J. J. Downey, the present superintendent; Dr. Dorsey, Thomas O'Callaghan, John P. Dore and several other members of the corporation.

Fr. McDonough is a well-known priest of the archdiocese. About two years ago he was president of the alumni association of St. John's seminary. He has been located at Cohasset about 8 years as pastor and is held in the highest esteem by his parishioners. The parish includes Scituate as a mission, and about a year ago Fr. McDonough, with the aid of a number of well-known Boston summer residents, had a chapel built at Scituate beach.

Prior to going to Cohasset as pastor Fr. McDonough had labored in Lowell for about a dozen years, having been curate at St. Peter's church.

He is a great favorite with all who know him. He is a man of kindly, genial disposition, and is well fitted for the care of the large number of boys who will come under his supervision.

The fact that a pastor is selected to take charge of the Working Boys' home is a new departure. Heretofore the superintendent has been taken from among the curates of the archdiocese.

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"DEAD" RETURNS

ERNEST NERTO REAPPEARS AT MAYNARD.

MAYNARD, Dec. 23.—Ernest Nerto, who disappeared from Maynard about two years ago, leaving a note to the effect that he was tired of living, returned yesterday.

Nerto went from here to Michigan, where he had relatives, and worked for a time on a farm. Tiring of this he went to work as a brakeman on a railroad in Minnesota and worked in a number of western states. Nerto, who is an intelligent young Finlander about 25, says that he has had enough of the west, and that Massachusetts is good enough for him hereafter. He managed to save considerable money notwithstanding his wanderings, and intends to start a small business in one of the nearby towns. He says his strange exit from Maynard and his note were meant to frighten a young woman, but as she has since been married he concludes that his labor went for nothing.

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The signs of progress in Canada are marked and very promising.

Tom Lawson's ego has had much to do with making him wealthy. It will have much to do also with making some of his financial enemies poor.

Child labor is to receive attention in New York and apparently with good cause. The mill cities are not the only places in which children are abused.

Nan Patterson is attaining almost as wide notoriety as did Florence Burns, also tried for murder in New York, the crime being somewhat similar to that charged against Miss Patterson.

THE TRIALS FOR MURDER OF DISSOLUTE MEN.

When a man throws off all regard for right and justice, for decency, honor and purity, when he drags down with him into the depths of dissipation, some frail woman only to make her his plaything, when he disregards his marriage vows and leaves a wife and children to lament their fate while he engages in nightly carousals in which women and wine are the chief factors—when such a man falls by the wayside even by the hand of one of the women whom he led to the depths of degradation only to betray, no American jury is very anxious to convict the woman of his murder. The jurymen feel that society and the world at large are better rid of such a man and they are only anxious to find some room for doubt upon which they can base an acquittal or a disagreement. Of this tendency there are many examples besides that of Nan Patterson.

SMOOT AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

In spite of the heinous oaths taken repeatedly by Smoot as member of the Endowment House, it is doubtful if the United States senate can find sufficient evidence against him upon which to exclude him from that body of grave and reverend seigniors. Unless it be found that he has taken oaths which contravene his oath of allegiance to the United States or unless it can be proven that he is practising polygamy, it will be difficult to expel him. The republicans no doubt in reaching a decision will give some weight to the fact that Smoot was elected on a political trade and guaranteed admission to the senate by the republican leaders of 1900. Thus the republican party has Smoot as an elephant on its hands and whether it expels him or retains him, it is bound to be blamed by one side or the other. Thus do even the most undesirable chickens come home to roost.

SOME HINTS ON CHRISTMAS GIVING.

The use of the Santa Claus myth has been a great aid to parents in keeping children "good" during the last few weeks. "Be good now or I'll tell Santa Claus and he will bring you nothing at Christmas" has been the common exhortation and it had a magical effect with the children, which shows that rewards are in many cases more effective in making the children obedient than are punishments. But if after so many promises, after being led to expect so much they should be disappointed and receive nothing! It would be cruel to have a child worked up to such a pitch of expectancy to wake up on Christmas morn to find an empty stocking. But how many are there who do not expect anything and to whom the unexpected visit of Santa would bring supreme delight?

In thus making the children happy there is room for the exercise of true charity and room for attaining self-happiness; but the children are not the only ones who need to be remembered. There are the children of older years, those who have long cast aside the childish myths of Santa Claus but whose hearts are heavily laden as they find themselves in want and without the hope of sharing in the bountiful Christian munificence that abounds in the land at the Christmas season. To seek out such deserving objects of charity and lighten their hearts by festal cheer would assuredly be an act the remembrance of which might well be a source of joy to the doner until the arrival of another Christmas. Here then is a field in which the charitable Christmas spirit may accomplish much.

Nearly every festival such as Christmas is unhappily clouded by some tragic occurrence, arising chiefly from despondency which leads to maddening indulgence in drink and this in turn to acts of violence such as murder and suicide. To reach such people and prevent such an awful observance of the feast should be the aim of every true Christian heart.

SHALL WE WIPE OUT THE MOTH PEST?

Shall we banish the brown-tail moth or shall we let the pest get a foothold here so as to be ineradicable except at a large expense?

This is a question that presents itself to every citizen interested in our city. Unfortunately we have pests and pestholes enough although not as many nor as bad as have other cities of the same size of Lowell.

But although not as badly off as some other cities in this respect, we do not want to be any worse than we are. We do not want any insect pest. We had an opportunity of seeing what the pest is, last fall, when the brown-tails swarmed over the city like a shower of snow. Who wants that swarm multiplied two hundred fold as it will be next summer if not checked by the destruction of the nests? The insects increase at the rate of 200 to one every year, so that it is a very serious matter for a community to neglect the destruction of the larvae when that is not only possible but practical and easy.

The plague of locusts visited upon the Israelites of old was not more terrible than will be the plague of the brown-tails unless the proper steps be taken to prevent their propagation.

Naturally people look to the park commission to take the leading part in this work; but without money the commission cannot do the work. The city council, however seems to think that the commission having done so much with a little money last year can wipe out a moth pest without incurring any expense. On this assumption the proposed appropriation was sent back from the city council to the committee on appropriations and there it is now pigeonholed to await the pleasure of next year's committee. The committee of next year may be more liberal or it may not; it may have an aversion for brown-tail moths or it may wish to have them propagate from year to year so as to keep the people of our city more busily engaged than at present. Meantime the park commission may be kept waiting until the time for wiping out the pest will have passed and then not $500 nor $1000 would be of any use. Sometimes the economic ideas of the city council committees take on a penny wise and pound foolish aspect that eventually proves quite expensive to the city. We expect a little municipal reform from the new city government, but in order to enjoy it we don't care to be devoured by any moth pest whether brown-tail blue-tail, gypsy or ring tail.

SEEN AND HEARD

Remember just about this time that it is better to give than to receive. At any rate don't forget the little ones at home.

Have you noticed the difference in the looks of the turkeys now hanging outside the markets from those which hung in same place just prior to Thanksgiving? There is quite a difference and we are glad to note that they are much nicer and fatter than a month ago. We are also glad to note the drop in the price of the birds.

He did not intend to steal the horse and sleigh but the owner of the team thought the other fellow was a "proper" horse thief and he went at him like a bull at a gate. The fellow who had unblanketed the horse was about to unhitch him when pounced upon by the owner. He had a horse of his own standing a few yards away. It was in Merrimack street and there was no other horse standing there when the absent-minded man hitched his to the post. When he returned he was thinking about something else other than his team and instead of unhitching his own horse he directed his attention to the other fellow's outfit. The man who thought the absent-minded man was a horse thief grew angry and threatened to have the other fellow arrested. The absent-minded man tried to explain but to no purpose. Then when he undertook to unhitch his own horse the other fellow called an officer and denounced the absent-minded man as a professional horse thief. The absent-minded man, however, succeeded in explaining things away and drove off. "I don't believe now," said the other fellow to the officer, "that that team belongs to him."

"WHATCHY GOIN' T' GIMME?"

"Watchy goin' t' gimme," say the youngest boy to pa;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" says the youngest girl to ma;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" says the maiden to her beau;
Everywhere the answer is, "O, sumpin, I dunno."

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the little boy at school—
His just fore-Christmas goodness makes him mindful of each rule;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" sings the gamin in the street;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" on our every hand we meet.

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" says our city to the mayor;
"What will be your answer, Jimmie, when you have ta'en the chair,
"Will you give us lower taxes and employment in galore
Or will you leave Miss Lowell just as needy as before?"

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the yawning money box
Meant to catch the coin to feed the hungry folks in flocks;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the wretched and the poor,
Living in their penury a stone's throw from your door.

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the great big world, of you;
"Lifetime full of usefulness, heart sincere and true?"
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" Hear it everywhere you go—
Always comes the answer, 'O, just sumpin; I dunno."

Buy your gifts at Oriental Bazaar.

"LUCKY" NICKOLS

HE DROVE THREE WINNERS AT NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23—Nichols' riding was a feature of yesterday's racing. The boy had four mounts and landed three winners, finishing second with his last mount. Fox Mead and Reliance were the only winning favorites. Weather clear and track good. Summaries:

First race, six furlongs: St. Sever, 94, Baird, 7 to 1, won; Little Jack Horner, 94, Crimmins, 6 to 1, second; Dalesman, 112, H. Phillips, 11 to 5, third. Time—1.14 3-5.

Second race, seven furlongs: Selling: Fox Mead, 102, Nichols 9 to 5, won; the Huguenot, 101, Baird, 17 to 5, second; Josette, 108, Wonderly, 16 to 5, third. Time—1.28 2-5.

Third race, one mile: Mae Hanlon, 108, Howell, 12 to 1, won; Court Maid, 108, Wonderly, 8 to 5, second; Merry Pioneer, 105, Woodard, 8 to 1, third. Time—1.44 3-5.

Fourth race, handicap, mile and 20 yards: King's Trophy, 97, Nichols, 13 to 10, won; De Reszke, 108, W. Henessy, even, second; Milador, 90, Aubchon, 15 to 1, third. Time—1.44.

Fifth race, mile: Reliance 105, Nichols 2 to 1, won; Montebank 108, Cocolo, 6 to 1, second; Daisy Green, 114, Hicks, 15 to 5, third. Time—1.44.

Sixth race, selling, six furlongs: Go To Win, 105, McCafferty, 10 to 1, won; Green Gown, 104, Nichols, even, second; Dundale, 102, J. McIntyre, 7 to 1, third. Time—1.14 2-5.

HIS FACE BURNED.

Peter Hughes, residing at 221 Rock street, received severe burns about the face by hot tar while at work at the Lowell Gas Light Co.'s works in School street, late yesterday afternoon. He was taken to the Lowell General hospital for treatment.

FOGGY LONDON

Business is Now at a Standstill

LONDON, Dec. 23.—There is as yet no sign of the lifting of the fog which envelopes the kingdom. The absence of wind throughout Great Britain is almost unprecedented and meteorologists do not expect any change in conditions for another 24 hours. Considering the almost insuperable difficulties attending locomotion of any form, the number of fatal accidents has been remarkably small. The congestion and suspension of business are very general. So far as London is concerned, the tube railways are the only concerns benefiting, and their daily traffic is reaching second figures.

Places of amusement are almost deserted and shopkeepers are loudly lamenting the absence of the usual Christmas customers, instead of which the big stores are inundated with orders by post, which cannot be executed owing to the complete dislocation of all carrying business.

Railway traffic, both for long and short distances, is almost paralyzed. A condition resembling chaos prevails in the postal service. With the continued accumulation of Christmas parcel and letter traffic, it is quite impossible to preserve even a semblance of punctuality. All railway trains are many hours late and many trains between London and suburbs occupy a couple of hours in making a distance of eight miles. Mail boats in all directions are similarly disorganized. The Oceanic and Saxonia have been unable to reach landings at Liverpool. The Cedric and Pretoria, outward bound, are both delayed, and the Minnehaha is at the mouth of the Thames, unable to proceed. Only two vessels entered the port of London yesterday, a condition of affairs such as has not occurred for 20 years. The mouth of the river is crammed with vessels loaded with perishable foodstuffs of all descriptions. The streets of London present remarkable scenes. Nothing is visible except link boys' torches and the occasional flare of big creosote lamps which the authorities are beginning to employ to assist traffic. Phantom voices mingle with the unceasing whistling of omnibus and tramway drivers, while the points like Trafalgar square and Hyde Park corner are glomerations of vehicles of every description, held up by the police and close-locked for hours. Nearly everybody is suffering from headaches, which the doctors attribute to the fog.

At Birmingham, Sir Oliver Lodge is making experiments with a model electrical apparatus for the disposal of fog, which, although successful, is regarded as being too expensive for application on a large scale.

OLD LADIES' HOME.

A concert will be given from 4 to 6 o'clock at the old ladies' home in Fletcher street, tomorrow afternoon. All friends of the home are cordially invited to be present.

CHECK A COLD

Check a cold and check it quick by taking a spoonful of sugar saturated with

JOHNSON'S Anodyne LINIMENT

This dose will speedily effect the cure of Colds, Coughs, La Grippe, Croup, Bronchitis and all inflammation of head and throat. Strictly a family medicine, safe, speedy, sure. 25c; three times as much 50c. Sold by all druggists.

I. S. JOHNSON & CO., Boston, Mass.

ANNUAL DINNER

OF THE NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY OF NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Four hundred and fifty sons of New England attended the 99th dinner of the New England Society of the City of New York at the Waldorf-Astoria last night. The menu was engrossed in gold and neutral tints and depicted several notable historic scenes. The souvenir was an exact fac-simile of the New England primer in color and type.

At the guests' table with President Hubbard sat former Secretary of War Elihu Root, who responded to the principal toast of the evening, "A Corollary of the Monroe Doctrine"; President William De Witt Hyde of Bowdoin college, who spoke on "The New England Conscience"; John D. Long, former secretary of the navy, who told of "The Bowl of Samp and Milk," and Amos Parker Wilder of Madison, Wis., who responded to the toast "The Puritan Impress."

Others at the guests' table were the Rev. Dr. Donald Sage Mackay, Brig. Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, Stewart L. Woodford, J. Pierpont Morgan, Edmund S. Stedman, and the presidents of a number of patriotic societies.

Mr. Root said in part:

"We have had within a few days here a meeting of the advocates of peace, a meeting designed to promote the principles of arbitration among nations and with the purpose of that meeting, with the things said and the results which it so sought to accomplish, I heartily agree and I believe all of you agree.

"But after all the true way to accomplish peace among men is to promote justice among men, good understanding for all wars come of misunderstanding or injustice, from a failure of some one to do his duty to his fellow man.

"The only relation that carries the possibility of war for this country is that declaration and adherence of the American people to the so-called Monroe Doctrine.

"There will be no frontal attack on the Monroe Doctrine. The way in which the cause of war may arise will be, if at all, by the conflict of rights, the existence of rights on the part of foreign powers against the American republics and the result of the enforcement of these rights of foreign powers against the American republics coming into conflict with this doctrine which we assert for our own safety and preservation.

"It is always possible that redress of injury; that punishment for wrong may lead to the occupation of territory. And if we are to maintain this doctrine, which is vital to our national life and its safety at the same time that we say to the powers of the world, you shall not push your remedies for wrong against these republics to the point of occupying their territory, we are bound to say that whenever that wrong cannot be otherwise redressed, we ourselves will see that it is redressed. Above all things, let us be just. Let us do equity when we come in the great court of civilization. Let us see that we ourselves and those whom we protect for our own safety are just and then our cause will be just."

Oriental Bazaar, 200 Merrimack st.

CHIMNEY FIRE.

An alarm from box 24 at 5.33 o'clock last night was for a chimney fire in a house in South street, owned by A. G. Thompson. The damage was slight.

Don't have a heater put in your house until you have seen our line—the finest display of Boilers and Furnaces in Lowell.

CARROLL BROS.

Telephone 640 28 Middle St.

How Do You Spend Your Money

Are you doing it in a way to receive substantial benefit. Are you laying aside something for a "rainy day?" If not you will never have a better time to begin than now. To get quietly started, begin the easiest way. Come to the

WASHINGTON SAVINGS INSTITUTION

and open a Savings Account. Do not wait for a large sum, for it may never come. Just deposit whatever you have to spare, no matter how small the amount.

WE WILL GLADLY ASSIST YOU IN GETTING STARTED

Bon Marché

"I Must Go to the Jungle Before I Go Back Home."

Today and Tomorrow Then a Long, long Rest

The various lines of Holiday Merchandise are in excellent condition considering the strain of the last few days.

Those who wish to take advantage of the free tickets we are giving to the JUNGLE should do so now as it will close in a short time. Every purchase of 50c or more entitles you to one ticket. This is the last week in the Jungle of Mme. Schell and her den of performing lions.

The sale of Singing Canaries on 2d floor is most opportune. One of these feathered beauties would make a very pleasing Xmas gift. Every one a singer or money refunded. The price $1.98 each.

Our sale of Catholic Prayer Goods has been enormous. Just look up the line of prayer books we are selling at 49c, and the pearl Rosary Beads (in fancy satin lined boxes) at the same price and you will understand the reason why.

As a guide to your footsteps in looking for toys, we will briefly state, that all the larger and mechanical toys are on the 2d floor, such as Sleds, Rocking Horses, Doll Carriages, etc. All the smaller toys are in our basement. If you want some excellent Xmas Cake you can find some in the basement, at 2 pounds for 25c. Also 18 juicy sweet Oranges for 25c. Christmas Ribbon Candy, 10c pound, and Honey Kisses same price.

To give a detailed list of the good things we have waiting for you would take up too much valuable space, so we will close by cordially inviting you to come down (but for goodness sake, in the morning, if you can) and examine our array of Xmas Things. As this is the last time in which we will appear in the publicity columns we will take advantage of them and heartily thank our public for the favors of the past and wish them

A Merry, Merry Christmas

THE GAS ESCAPED

Twenty Seven Persons Were Overcome

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Twenty-seven persons, most of them women and children, were overcome by coal gas in a crowded tenement house at 15 Monroe street, in the foreign settlement of this city early this morning. Twelve of them were in such a serious condition that they had to be taken to a hospital, but it is believed they will recover. The lower part of the tenement was occupied by a Turkish bath establishment and the gas escaped from a large furnace used in the baths. There were more than 100 persons in the upper part of the building, most of whom were Russian Jews. That no lives were lost was due to two policemen, who in passing the building detected the gas and immediately began arousing the sleeping occupants. Many of them were unconscious and had to be carried fro mthe place.

DELUGE OF GRAIN

DEALERS MAKE APPEAL TO THE RAILROADS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Chicago is experiencing a deluge of grain and dealers are anxiously urging the railroads to come to their relief. Between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 bushels of grain from the west are now awaiting transportation to points east of Chicago. The railroads are doing all in their power, but today were compelled to refuse 5000 cars of grain offered for transportation. The inability of the roads to handle the stuff is laid to lack of equipment.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

WANTS ENGLAND TO ARBITRATE IRISH QUESTION.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—"If England wants arbitration, let her arbitrate the Irish question," was the text of a series of resolutions adopted by a special meeting of the executive committee of the Boston central branch of the United Irish league.

The attitude of the central branch of the league on the proposed treaty was determined upon nearly a week ago, but it was decided to await the views of the national president of the organization, John F. Finerty of Chicago, before making the matter public. To-day President Finerty telegraphed his views that strong action against the proposed Anglo-American treaty is called for the interest of America.

CIVIL SERVICE

LIST OF EXAMINATIONS ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION.

By order of the Civil Service Commissioners, competitive examinations of applicants for positions in the classified service will be held as follows:

At the State House, Boston, for the service of the Commonwealth:

January 2, 1905—Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 3, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 4, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 5, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 6, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 10, Foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, schedule B, class 6; January 11, Sub-foremen, schedule B, class 7; February 28, Metropolitan park police, schedule B, class 1; March 1, Prison service, watchmen, turnkeys, etc., schedule B, class 1; April 4, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 1; April 5, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 2; April 11, Stenographer-typewriters, schedule A, class 4; April 17, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 18, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 20, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 21, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 24, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; May 3, Foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, schedule B, class 6; May 4; Sub-foremen, schedule B, class 7; Sept. 26, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 1; Sept. 28, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 2; October 3, Stenographer-typewriters, schedule A, class 4.

At City Hall, Lowell, for the service of said city:

March 2, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 1; March 3, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 2; March 6, Foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, schedule B, class 6; March 6, Schoolhouse janitors, schedule B, class 11; March 29, Police, schedule B, class 3.

Blank applications can be obtained by applying to Charles H. Conant, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Civil Service Examiners for Lowell and when filled out, if for city service, should be filed with him.

Applications for Commonwealth service should be sent to the Commissioners' office, Room 152 State House, Boston.

In order to receive a notice to appear at any of the above-scheduled examinations, applications should have their applications on file at least one week before the date set for the examination.

STATE MILITIA

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS MAY ORDER ITS MOBILIZATION.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The Herald to-day says:

The mobilization of the state militia next summer is being contemplated by Gov.-elect William L. Douglas and his military advisors. It has been some years since all of the infantry regiments and other arms of service have been brought together in Boston for a grand parade before the commander-in-chief and it is said that this is one of the items on Lieut. General Nelson A. Miles' program as chief of staff.

Gen. Miles left last night for Washington. He expects to return a few days prior to inauguration and will probably attend that function.

STABBED TEACHER

TERROR OF "HELL'S KITCHEN" USED PENKNIFE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Just as the class was being dismissed at 3 p. m. yesterday, 12-year-old Herbert Carson of 343 West 38th street leaped upon a teacher, Michael B. Sharlett, and stabbed him in the neck with a penknife in public school 51 on West 44th st.

The assault was witnessed by other pupils and as the news ran through the school a panic was narrowly averted by cool-headed teachers. The boy's knife made a wound three-fourths of an inch deep. Carson was arrested and locked up.

The school is in "Hell's Kitchen." His teachers say that Carson is the terror of the neighborhood.

OPEN THIS EVENING OPEN THIS EVENING

PUTNAM & SON CO., 166 Central St.

WE have had the largest December business and the largest Christmas business that the house has recorded in fifty-six years. The articles advertised today are so worthy, the assortments so complete and so interesting, while recent price adjustments have made them so exceptionally attractive, that we believe today's and tomorrow's sales will be the largest the house has ever entered.

Five Hundred Boys' Overcoats for Christmas

A splendid collection of handsome overcoats for boys from 3 years to 16, at the smallest prices ever named for strictly new, stylish garments.

Some of these overcoats have just been bought at far less than value for this occasion—others are the remainders of quick selling lots that have been reduced two and three dollars in price.

Remarkable overcoat selling in our boys' department has made these prices possible.

Overcoats for Boys, 3 years to 9. Pretty Russian coats, with half belt back, velvet collar and military buttons. All made double breasted, regularly $3.00 and $2.50, for Christmas **$2.00**

Splendid Overcoats, all wool frieze, in blue and oxford, to fit boys 10 years to 16—regulation length overcoats, finely tailored, smart cut, with silk velvet collars, twenty-five of these that sold for $5.00 and $6.00—marked for Christmas **$3.50**

Long Tourist Overcoats, made from handsome Scotch cheviots, cut long to come to the boy's ankle—half belt back—and single or double breast, and also Tourists in plain and fancy friezes, sizes from 8 years to 16—and repriced for Christmas, $10, $8, $5 and **$3.50**

Handsome Overcoats for Men

Rich Silk Lined Overcoats, from Rogers, Peet & Co. Superb garments, were $40.00, reduced for Christmas to **$30**

2 Lots of Rogers-Peet's Overcoats, that sold up to yesterday for $30.00 and $32.00, are now reduced to **$25**

Tourist Overcoats of Stunning Scotch Cheviots, long swagger garments, with half belt in the back. The best style Tourists that money can buy. Three small lots that were $25 are now **$20**

Entirely New Lots of Tourist Overcoats, bought for Christmas selling. Our stock of moderate priced Tourists was sold out. We have half a dozen new numbers, in men's and young men's sizes—52 inches long, half belt back—fresh styles in Tourists today **$10**

We Have Sold More Umbrellas

so far this season than we ever sold during a whole holiday period before. It's easy enough to understand why. A splendid collection of silk and carola umbrellas, with beautiful handles, has been offered at a third less than actual value. Every umbrella is new, perfect, has case and tassel and goes out neatly boxed.

Men's Fine Carola and Silk Umbrellas, with new and artistic style of handle, worth from $1.50 to $6.00,

For 98c, $1.50, $2 up to $4

Women's Silk Umbrellas, with handsome silver trimmed, pearl, ivory and sterling silver handles, worth from $2.00 to $6.00,

For $1.25, $1.50, $2 up to $4

Children's Umbrellas, plain and trimmed handles, cotton, carola and silk covers,

From 39c to $1.25

Men's House Coats and Bath Wraps

A handsome collection of these desirable and useful garments, cut and made by clothing manufacturers, so that style and fit are assured.

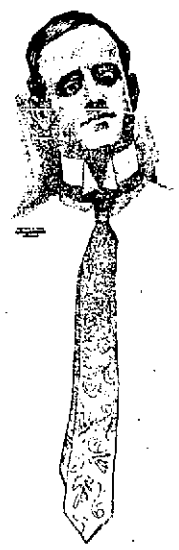
The House Coats are of plain cloths or cloths of solid color with plaid back, the collar and cuffs contrasting with the plain body color of the coat,

$4, $5, $6 and $7

Men's Bath Wraps, made full and long as a wrap should be made, in new and effective patterns,

$5 to $15

Boys' Bath Wraps, to fit boys 10 years of age to 16. No more useful present for the youngster, **$4.00**



Rich Neckwear

Two thousand as handsome silk scarfs as were ever shown. Here is a display of beautiful neckwear gathered especially for our great Christmas trade—and bought at a very great reduction on account of our large purchase. Large English Squares, of rich heavy silk, new French Four-in-Hands, 2 3-4 inches wide. The very newest shape—ties that would regularly retail for $1, we have secured for our Christmas trade and offer for **50c**

Elegant Neckwear

An entirely new collection of the most expensive silks, in large English Squares, for dress, and in the very wide French Four-in-Hands. The finest neckwear we have ever shown for Christmas. **$1.00**

Men's Fine Silk Suspenders 50c

Here is a notable collection of Silk Suspenders—a thousand pairs of the handsomest webbing you ever saw. The coloring and designs are the freshest ideas that have come from the looms the present year. The suspenders are all finished with white Japanese leather and have mounts of strictly new designs, gold plated and enameled. Each pair is in a handsome box and you'll not find elsewhere for a dollar, as good and handsome silk suspenders as these we offer for **50c**

500 Pairs Boys' Pretty Suspenders

These are all made full length, to fit boys up to 16 years of age. The designs and coloring in the webbing are entirely new—all have fine white leather ends. Each pair in a neat box—price **25c**

Here's the Best Collection in Lowell of Everything Boys Wear and Priced the Cheapest for Good Durable Things

Belt back long Overcoats, for boys 8 years to 16,	$3.50 to $8.00	Leather Gloves, lined,	19c to 45c
Small Boys' Overcoats,	$2.00 to $6.00	Dress Gloves,	75c to $1.25
Suits, for small boys,	$1.50 to $6.00	Handkerchiefs, boxed,	for 10c to 25c
Suits, for large boys,	$2.00 to $8.00	Suspenders, boxed,	25c
New Winter Caps,	25c to 50c	Silk Bows,	10c to 23c
New Tams,	35c to $1.00	Four-in-Hands,	23c
Toques,	35c to 50c	Windsor Scarfs,	10 to 25c
Sweaters,	45c to $1.50	Umbrellas,	39c to $1.25
Underwear,	19c to 63c	Sleeve Links,	25c to 50c
Wool Gloves,	20c to 45c	Scarf Pins,	25c to 50c
Wool Mitts,	8c to 20c	Bath Wraps,	$4.00

PUTNAM & SON CO., 166 Central St.

BOTH INDICTED

Dr. Chadwick Will be Arrested

FORGERY IS THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM

Third True Bill Against His Wife

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his wife, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, were jointly indicted by the county grand jury yesterday afternoon on the charge of having forged and uttered a $5,000,000 note signed Andrew Carnegie.

Dr Chadwick is now on his way to New York from Paris and is expected to land next Wednesday. As soon as the indictment was returned Sheriff Barry of this county made arrangements to secure Dr. Chadwick's extradition. He will meet the steamer on its arrival.

This is the third time that Mrs. Chadwick has been indicted by the county grand jury, but it is the first instance of her husband's name appearing in legal proceedings in the case. The indictments already returned against Mrs. Chadwick are similar to the one voted yesterday, except that they cover notes of $250,000 and $500,000 signed Andrew Carnegie.

Mrs. Chadwick, when informed yesterday afternoon of the action of the grand jury, appeared not the least concerned, and only asked if any one else had been indicted, mentioning the name of a person who has figured in the case to some extent.

She declined to make any comment, saying:

"It will do me no good to discuss my affairs in the newspapers. There has been so much misrepresentation that I have decided to do no further talking, and I am also acting on the advice of my attorney in this respect."

The grand jury's action was somewhat unexpected. It was thought at first that its report would be made Saturday. Prosecutor Keeler counted on a delay in securing the necessary papers for Dr. Chadwick's return, and feared that the steamship on which he is a passenger possibly might arrive before they were secured. The vote was then taken and the indictment returned.

Sheriff Barry then arranged to obtain the requisition from Gov. Herrick of Ohio, and will leave Sunday night for Albany, N. Y., to obtain extradition papers from Gov. Odell. Dr. Chadwick, it is expected, will not resist returning to Cleveland.

"There are many things which Dr. Chadwick will have to explain, and I hope he will do so," said prosecutor Keeler yesterday afternoon. "Dr and Mrs. Chadwick may be tried on the indictment separately or together. Each has a right to trial singly if it is desired. The jurors will finish their work Saturday.

"The Chadwick investigation so far as this jury is concerned is ended. But I cannot say that this concludes our inquiry into this matter. It is possible that there may be other developments."

The grand jury has spent more than two weeks in this investigation of the Chadwick affair. It is understood that it was mainly on the testimony of Pres. Beckwith of the Citizens' national bank of Oberlin, which failed recently, that the jurors voted to indict Dr. Chadwick.

A number of persons whose names have frequently appeared in connection with the case went before the jury at various times to give testimony.

Mrs. Chadwick was in better health yesterday than she has been for some time. Her only visitors are her attorneys and occasionally her son, Emil Hoover, who Sheriff Barry has now allowed to see her, contrary to the jail rules, if the boy desires.

Nathan Loeser, receiver for the Chadwick property, who is trying to locate assets for the benefit of creditors, said yesterday that he had obtained information concerning the whereabouts of the trunk and satchel belonging to Mrs. Chadwick, which were taken from the Holland house in New York during her stay there. He expects to recover them, but does not know if they contain valuables.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FELL FROM WAGON

MARTIN FAHEY SUSTAINED SEVERE GASH OVER THE EYE.

Martin Fahey, residing at 161 Tremont street, fell from a wagon last evening and sustained a bad wound over his right eye. The man was intoxicated at the time and Officer Daniel C. Donovan picked him from the ground when he fell.

Owing to the loss of blood and the condition of the man it was thought that he was suffering from concussion of the brain at first. He was taken to the police station in the patrol wagon and City Physician Smith was summoned. Five stitches were taken in the wound and Fahey was booked for drunkenness.

COASTING ACCIDENTS

YOUNG PEOPLE IN CENTRALVILLE SEVERELY HURT.

Two coasting accidents occurred on Fay's hill on the top of Christian hill in Centralville a few days ago, in which a number of young people were painfully injured.

Among those injured are Miss Mollie Munn, daughter of F. P. Munn, 126 Methuen street, who had a tooth knocked out and her upper lip bruised; Miss Marion Bill, daughter of F. M. Bill, corner of Methuen and Eleventh streets, right arm sprained and body scratched, and Carl Bicknell, residing in Eleventh street, right arm broken and scalp lacerated. The toboggan hit an unseen rock and was smashed to pieces, the occupants being thrown with great force.

In the second accident were Guy Stevenson of Beacon street and Everett Shaw of Pawtucketville, and two young ladies, also of Pawtucketville. In this case the double-runner on which the young people were coasting, also struck a rock, smashing it to splinters. Fortunately none of the occupants were severely injured.

Clothing at low prices, Oriental Bazaar.

WOMAN KILLED

Rapid Fire Gun Cartridge Cartridge Exploded

DETROIT, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Thomas E. Barnes was killed yesterday in her home at 253 Pine street, by the explosion of a "one-pounder" rapid fire gun cartridge which it is supposed she was using for a hammer in the Christmas preparations for her two baby girls.

How the explosion occurred is not definitely known as she was alone with the children, but it is said by friends that Mrs. Barnes had used the cartridge for a hammer at other times. The cartridge had been in the possession of the Barnes family for some time and is said to have been given to Mrs. Barnes by her brother, William Mayhew, a gunner in the U. S. navy.

The woman's right hand was torn off at the wrist, her left hand was mutilated and part of the cartridge penetrated her breast and lodged in her heart and lungs.

OLD LAW INVOKED

DOGS AND CATS CLASSED AS WILD ANIMALS.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Considerable interest is shown in the case of William E. Willis, a South End dog fancier, who is charged by Alice E. Williams with stealing from her two dogs which she values at $30.

When the case was called by Judge Parmenter in the first session of the municipal criminal court yesterday afternoon, Lawyer Mulvey for the defence made a motion to have the larceny complaint quashed on the ground that dogs unlicensed and unconfined are not property according to the common law, and therefore not subject to larceny.

Mr. Mulvey spoke for some minutes and then Judge Parmenter suggested that he submit a brief to the court Dec. 29, giving his reasons for asking that the complaint be quashed.

The contention raised by Mulvey is based on an old law, which classes dogs and cats as wild animals. The dogs alleged to have been stolen were not licensed, because they were only six weeks old. As to licensed dogs which are kept in confinement the laws protect owners from theft, but when a complaint is made by one party accusing another of stealing a licensed dog the complaint must say that the dog was duly licensed, etc. Dogs and cats that have become dimesticated are protected by law while they remain confined, but the minute they are given their freedom their owners lose the right of protection.

An assault charge has also been preferred against Willis.

JURORS GAVE $100

GIFT FOR GIRL WHO HAD BEEN ACQUITTED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—The spectators in the court of general sessions yesterday cheered when the jury returned a verdict of acquittal for Clara Adler, aged 18, who was accused of killing her baby.

The members of the jury took up a subscription and gave $100 to the defendant whom they had just set free.

Miss Adler admitted that the child had died of benzine asphyxiation, but asserted that the poison fell into the child's mouth by accident when the mother attempted to commit suicide by drinking it. Miss Adler thought it was carbolic acid. Her friend knocked the bottle from her lips as she was about to drink.

Judge Newburger fully concurred in the verdict.

FOR THE STRIKERS

A CONCERT TO BE HELD FOR THEIR BENEFIT.

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor council held last evening arrangements were made for a concert to be held at Associate hall for the benefit of the Fall River strikers. The concert will be held Sunday, Jan. 15. All donations will be received by Michael Duggan and he also has been selected the only authorized solicitor of advertising for a souvenir program for the event. A meeting of the general committee in charge of the concert will be held next Wednesday evening at 32 Middle street. Tickets can be secured from Miss McMullen at 32 Middle street.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FOREFATHERS NIGHT.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Forefathers Night was observed by the Congregational club of Boston in Tremont Temple last night. The speakers were Henry C. King of Oberlin college; George R. Jones, president of the state senate; Rev. Cornelius H. Patton, home secretary of the American Board of Foreign Misaions, and President Sylvester B. Carter of the club. A reception was held followed by a banquet in the evening.

A Reminder to Our Customers

WILLIAM A. BLOCK

The Original Prescott Street Jeweler at No. 14, (Fourth Store From Merrimack Square)

Now showing the greatest and largest display of holiday goods at the lowest prices that were ever exhibited for the past eight seasons. Gold and Silver Watches, Diamond Rings, Chains, Lockets, Bracelets, etc.

A glance in our windows will convince you. Come all and come early.

William A. Block, 14 Prescott St.

NOTICE—Do not be misled; we have no connection with any other jewelry company in the city.

ADAMS

A gift that is inexpensive is no hardship to the giver. We have many low priced articles in furniture that are useful and would be an acceptable gift.

India Stools - 88c to $1.25
Blacking Boxes - $1 to $4.50
Child's Morris Chair - $2 to $4
Child's Rockers - 75c to $2.50
Rattan Work Baskets $2.25 to $4
Carpet Sweeper - - - - $2.50
Folding Screens - 90c to $9
Magazine Stands - - $2 to $13
Bath Room Hampers - - - - $2

Adams & Co.

Furniture --- Rugs --- Carpets

Appleton Bank Block, 174 Central St.

WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleaned

The first horses in New England were introduced into Massachusetts in 1629 or 1630.

The new 2.10 trotters of 1904 were made up of eighteen geldings, eight mares and five stallions.

Daniel A. Messner, of Oxford, Ind., the breeder of Dan Patch, 1.56, has an own brother and sister to the champion.

Lady Rivers, the dam of Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, was eleven years old when the fastest race mare of 1904 was foaled.

Alcander, 2.20½, had five new standard performers in 1904 and seven others reduced their records, all being pacers.

Thomas Sharkey, the pugilist, is said to be the purchaser of Oak Blossom, 2.12½. She will be shipped to England and raced.

Breeders were not nearly as anxious to get the Electioneer and Wilkes blood when those animals were alive as they are today.

During the season of 1904 on the Grand Circuit Geers won $47,609, divided as follows. He won 28 firsts, 18 seconds, 15 thirds, 14 fourths and was unplaced 31 times.

Hambletonian 10, the horse to which there is the greatest number of pedigree crosses, was by a 26-year-old sire. Mambrino Chief was by a 28-year-old sire; the sire of Black Hawk was 24; Electioneer was by a 19-year-old sire and Cresceus sire was 22 when the champion's dam was served.

From what his get have done it appears that McKinley, 2.11¼, is preeminently a sire of fast mares and geldings, as he has two daughters and three gelded sons in the 2.10 trotting list, besides three mares and one gelding in the 2.10 pacing list. His entire sons in the 2.10 list are one trotter and one pacer.

A peculiar instance exists in the breeding of the four sensational colts trotters of the past season: Grace Bond, 2.09¼; Alta Axworthy, 2.10¼, Lou Voyage, 2.15, and Jack Axworthy, 2.15¼. The fact is, not one of them is out of a developed dam but that each and all of them have developed grand dams.

Of the few undefeated champions Dan Patch is certainly the king of kings, as nineteen encounters covering three campaigns, he headed the summary in every instance. The only other champion that approaches him in this respect is the ex-queen of trotters, Nancy Hanks, who was victorious in all her fifteen battles.

Don't use an unsound horse or mare for breeding purposes, if that unsoundness is a source of mental anguish or torture to them, for the prenatal suggestion may have a bad effect on the foal. Wait until conditions are again normal or as nearly right as possible and many disappointments will be avoided.

When a colt appears to be cockle jointed examine the feet carefully for thrush. Colts that are suffering from this form of foot disease often give notice of it in that manner. The feet of colts that are stabled need constant care. They should be cleaned carefully with a foot pick every day, and afterwards washed with clean water. They should be kept level by means of a rasp, and the toes prevented from becoming too long by use of that instrument.

Casper L. Redfield in the Christmas Horseman says: "With all due respect to Sweet Marie, I am inclined to think that Grace Bond is the most remarkable trotter of the year. She gets into the 2.10 list at the age of three, whereas Sweet Marie does not get there until eight. Her pedigree is one of exceptional strength from the development standpoint. While neither her sire nor her dam has a record this is a mere technicality. Both were in fast races before Grace Bond was produced."

An authority on the horse writes that when a horse is gelded while young he never acquires the stallion characteristics. He inherits everything which characterized the youth of his sire but the gelding process acts him off from inheriting the nature stallion form. In the same way the gelding process cuts him off from inheriting the dynamic development which his sire acquired in his matured years. He inherits only that acquired development which his sire got while a colt. It follows from this that developing a stallion while he is young improves him as a sire of geldings, and developing when he is mature improves him as a sire of stallions.

The first 2.10 performer was Johnston in October, 1883, who in an exhibition against time paced a mile in 2.10. The first 2.10 trotter did not appear until August, 1884, when Jay Eye See trotted a mile at Providence, R. I., in just 2.10. The next day Maud S. trotted a mile in 2.09¼. In 1884 Johnston paced in 2.06¼. With the exception of Maud S., reducing her record in 1885 to 2.08¾, there were no records reduced or new 2.10 performers until 1890 when three pacers appeared: Roy Wilkes, 2.08¼, Hal Pointer, 2.09¾, and Cricket, 2.10. In 1891 there were five trotters and one pacer, in 1892 the bike sulky was used extensively and 6 trotters and 14 pacers were added to the list. In 1893 there were 10 more trotters and 15 pacers and in 1894 it was 10 trotters and 23 pacers. In 1895 it was 13 trotters and 51 pacers. In 1896 there were 8 trotters and 40 pacers. In 1897, 18 trotters and 48 pacers. In 1898 20 trotters and 41 pacers. In 1899, 18 trotters and 52 pacers. In 1900, 15 trotters and 64 pacers. In 1901 there were 11 trotters and 49 pacers. In 1902 there were 29 trotters and 68 pacers. In 1903, 26 trotters came along and 70 pacers, while the past season has seen the banner season of them all with 31 trotters and 72 pacers. All told there is over 300 performers now in the 2.10 list and the growth will soon be 100 per year. It would not be surprising to have the "select circle" placed at 2.05 and even then the increase in number would soon assume goodly proportions.

Of the 265 drivers who took part in the Grand Circuit 154 won money while 101 were out their time and entrance money. Eleven drivers won $10,000 or more, Geers heading the list with $47,609 to his credit. The next in the list is DeRyder with $38,723; then Andrews with $29,700, and Spear with $25,825. Snow won $24,405; Thomas, $20,292; Lou McDonald, $15,290; Hudson, $15,180; Alta McDonald, $14,375; Robert Smith, $12,900; and Havers James, $10,000.

HENRY O'MEARA DEAD.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of Henry O'Meara, for many years a Boston newspaper man and writer of poetry. For some time he was a co-worker with John Boyle O'Reilly. He was born in Newfoundland 54 years ago. Mr. O'Meara was a brother of Stephen O'Meara, formerly managing editor of the Boston Journal.

STEAMER STRANDED

THE ADMIRAL DEWEY ASHORE NEAR PORT MORANT.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 23—The United Fruit company's steamer Admiral Dewey went ashore Wednesday night at the entrance of Port Morant harbor. The wrecking steamer Premier has gone to her assistance.

The same company's steamer Buckman lost her propeller by grounding at Ocho Dios, and was towed to Port Antonio by the Dumois. It is feared that the damage cannot be repaired here and that the Buckman will be obliged to proceed to Newport News in tow.

The Admiral Dewey sailed from Boston Wednesday morning, Dec. 14, for Jamaican ports, carrying out a number of tourists from New England.

Among the passengers were Dr. J. Henry Wood of Brookline, Miss A. H. Tucker and Miss Juliet Porter of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haskell of Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. James Hipburn of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Chaney of Salem, Mrs. E. M. Haskell of Providence, Miss Bertha S. Barrar, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maxwell of Saugus, Caleb Holyoke of Bangor, Charles M. Robbins of Attleboro, John Young of Swampscott, Joseph O. Wellington and Charles W. Winns of Arlington, Mrs. Lizzie Noyes of Haverhill, W. A. Frost, L. C. Wasson, Charles Thompson and W. H. Ryerson of this city.

New Xmas goods, Oriental Bazaar.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Lieutenant Governor Guild will address the Lincoln club at its annual dinner, Feb. 13.

City Treasurer Stiles will lack the $1014 loan order recently passed by the city council on to the bigger loan about to be made, as he did not like to borrow so small an amount.

Christmas Hints to Late Buyers—from

The Merrimack

To the woman who has not finished her Christmas shopping or has been disappointed in securing just what she wanted, and to the man who has, as usual, put off the buying to the last minute, let us say:—

The Christmas stocks at the Merrimack are practically intact—you'll find good choosing in fine wearables for men, women and boys—arranged to good advantage to allow careful selecting—with prompt attention from our salespeople.

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Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $5.00
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Sweaters .....$1.00 to $5.00
Cardigan Jackets.....$1.00 to $4.50
E. & W. Collars..... $2.75 per Doz.
Scarf Pins.....25c to $2.00
Cuff Buttons.....25c to $2.00
Suspenders .....25c to $2.00
Handkerchiefs .....5c to $1.00
Suit Cases.....$1.50 to $9.00
Leather Bags.....$4.50 to $10.00
Mufflers .....50c to $2.50
Dress Shields.....$1.00 to $3.00
Arm Elastics.....15c to 75c
Night Robes .....50c to $1.50
Pajamas .....$1.00 to $3.00
Fancy Shirts.....$1.00 to $3.00
Fancy Hose, per pair.....25c to 50c
Seal Skin Caps, pieced.....$4.00

GIFTS FOR WOMEN

Fur Muffs and Neck Pieces. The reputation of the Merrimack is back of every fur piece—the selections are choice including the most wanted shapes, and the skins are the best of their kind—the prices are 25 per cent. below the regular furrier's.

Fur Neck Pieces.....$5.00 to $42.50
Fur Muffs.....$5.98 to $25.00
Fur Lined Coats.....$25.00 to $30.00
Bath Robes.....$3.00 to $6.00
Dressing Sacques.....65c to 98c
Rain Coats .....$10.00 to $25.00
Dainty Neckwear.....25c to $3.00
Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $7.00
Hosiery .....25c to $1.00
Silk Waists.....$5.00 to $12.00
Wool Waists.....$1.50 to $5.00
Cotton Waists.....$1.00 to $3.00
Silk Petticoats.....$5.00 to $10.00
Black Petticoats.....$1.00 to $3.00
Sweaters .....$1.50 to $2.50

GIFTS FOR BOYS

A Suit or Overcoat or Reefer would be a welcome Christmas Gift to any lad—it doesn't take so much money either. Suits, Overcoats and Reefers here in guaranteed qualities at $3 and up, or

Woolen Blouses.....50c to $1.50
Sweaters and Wescuts.....50c to $2.50
Fancy Vests..... $1.50
Woolen Gloves and Mittens, 10c to 45c
Kid Gloves .....50c to $1.00
Silk Neckwear.....12½c to 25c
Flannelette Night Robes..... 50c
Angora Toques..... 50c
Camel Hair Tams.....38c to 59c

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ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DEATHS

STILES—Joseph White Stiles, Jr., captain of company F, High school regiment, died at his home, 1 Dutton street, yesterday. He had been ill only since Monday, appendicitis having been the direct cause of death.

He attended school last Monday and appeared to be in the best of spirits and was even after reaching home, but during the afternoon he complained of being ill and his condition became so that a physician was called in. An examination proved that he was suffering from appendicitis, but as it was considered a mild case it was not deemed necessary to have an operation performed.

He was but seventeen years of age, though was on his last year at the high school and was one of the brightest students in the school. He was very well liked both by the teachers and students and was very popular.

The young man is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stiles. He was their only son. Mr. Stiles is foreman in the machine shop on the Merrimack.

MEEHAN—Edward Meehan, aged 55 years, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 297 Middlesex street. He is survived by a wife. The remains were taken to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

GOLDEN—Mrs. Mary Golden, widow of the late Luke Golden, a well known and respected resident of Lowell for 54 years, and a much esteemed member of St. Michael's church, died this morning at the Massachusetts General hospital, aged 72 years. The body was brought to Lowell and later removed to her late home, 37 W. Fifth street by Undertaker James W. McKenna. She is survived by one niece, Miss Mary A. Golden. Funeral notice later.

Miss Martha Monette of Manchester, N. H., is the guest of Misses Therese and Blanche Roussin.

FUNERALS

GOWARD—The funeral of Mrs. Martha A. Goward was held from her home, 274 Appleton street, Wednesday afternoon. Services of an impressive nature were held at the house, Rev. George W. Bicknell of Cambridge officiating. The bearers were members of the family and burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Undertaker J. W. Brooks had charge.

CHURCHILL—The funeral of the late Mrs. Athalinda Churchill was held yesterday afternoon from her residence, 192 Wentworth avenue. Services of an impressive nature were conducted at the house by Rev. R. A. Greene and Mr. Harry Stocks and Mrs. Pepin sang the following selections: "When the Mists Have Rolled Away", "Lead, Kindly Light," and "Abide With Me." The bearers were Harlan P. Goodell, James G. Marshall, Lewis A. Pierce and George W. Randall. The floral offerings were numerous and evidenced the esteem in which deceased was held by her many acquaintances. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck had charge.

WOODMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Phoebe A. Woodman was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from her home in Tyngsboro. Services were conducted by Rev. S. A. Dixon and later the body was sent to Franklin Falls, N. H., for burial by Undertakers Young & Co.

BORG—The funeral of Thor E. S. Borg took place yesterday afternoon, services being held at St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. L. C. Manchester officiating. The bearers were members of Pentucket lodge of Masons and they performed their services at the tomb in the Edson cemetery. Undertakers Young & Co. had charge.

CONLON—The funeral of James B. Conlon will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the home and 10 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church, where a solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated.

BON MARCHE JUNGLE.

There are only two more days to witness the thrilling act of Mme. Schell with her wonderful troupe of performing lions, at this popular resort. See her today and avoid the crowd which is sure to be on hand Saturday. This week for the special benefit of early shoppers down town in the morning, the doors are opened at 10 o'clock and the fun is fast and furious till 10 at night. Stage performance every hour. Entertaining lectures on habits and origin of all birds and animals, and free rides on the donkeys for the little folks.

BOWLING NEWS

In the Cosmopolitan Duck Pin league series the old-time rivals, the Mohairs and Bantings played a very interesting and well contested game, the score being 1316 to 1297 in favor of the former team. For Mohairs, Hardman was high single and high total and for the Bantings Simpson carried off the same honors.

Points—Mohairs 5, Bantings 0.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Fairmounts	31	11	.716
Brownies	32	13	.711
Mohairs	25	20	.556
Belvideres	16	29	.356
Bantings	15	30	.333
Belmonts	14	31	.312

Y. M. C. A. BOX BALL.

The game last night between the Dromedaries and Buffaloes was full of ginger from start to finish. At the end of the first string the Buffaloes led by a single pin but when the second string was totaled the Dromedaries were 10 plus in the lead. The Buffaloes, however, seemed to have gotten their second wind and the close of the third found them the winners by 57 pins. Tomorrow night the Crocodiles and Porcupines come together.

The score:

BUFFALOES.

A. B. Hobbs	125	119	130	374
John Grant	137	136	120	393
C. McDonald	129	116	118	363
J. E. Donohoe	114	138	112	364
J. Johnston, sub	117	100	143	360
Totals	622	609	623	1954

DROMEDARIES.

A. Myrick	140	124	124	388
M. Macdonald	146	128	115	389
R. Bixby	111	101	101	313
F. Gluty	110	132	108	350
W. Quinlan	114	135	108	357
Totals	621	620	556	1797

Spares—H. Macdonald 3, Johnson 2, Donohoe, Grant.

WRESTLING NOTES

Many sports would like to see Austin Callery in a good bout with some light weight for they argue that Callery is one of the coming men in the business.

Wilfred Barrette has posted $25 with The Sun for a match for $100 a side with James Prokos, the Greek, to take place four weeks hence.

Charles Rodgers of Fall River, through his manager, Joseph Johnson, has written the sporting editor of The Sun for a match in this city. He wants a go with Callery.

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Fresh Killed Fowl.....12c to 15c
Best Sirloin Roast Beef...12c lb.
Best Rib Roast Beef, 8c to 10c lb.
Best Roast Pork.....9c lb.
Best Smoked Bacon.....12c lb.
Best Hams .....11c lb.
Best Smoked Shoulders....8c lb.
Fresh Shoulders.....9c lb.
Best Round Steak, 2 lbs. for 25c
Best Rump and Sirloin Steak, 15c lb.
Best Corned Beef....5c to 7c lb.
Best Legs Veal.....10c lb.

Best short cut Legs Lamb 10c lb.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 5c qt.
Best Bread Flour, 85c bag; $6.75 bbl.
Best Butterine.....10c to 15c lb.
Best Creamery Butter, 5-lb. Boxes, $1.50
Best Green Mountain Potatoes, 18c peck; 70c bush.
6 lbs. of large Prunes,,,,,,, 25c
20-lb. pail Compound Lard, $1.40
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Auction

FARM, STOCK and TOOLS

THIS AUCTION WILL TAKE PLACE

Thursday, December 29, 1904

At 10.30 in the forenoon, on the premises, known as the Lawndale Farm, in Tyngsboro, Mass., near Lowell, Mass. Take Nashua and Lakeview electric car at transfer station, Lowell, and get off at Johnson's corner. The farm is one of the best in New England. Situated on the Merrimack river, commanding a fine view, 3 minutes' walk from electrics and one half miles from Tyngsboro depot. The house has 10 rooms, in good repair. The barn is over 100 feet long, 20 box stalls. Fine cellar and complete in every way. There are about 100 acres of land, 40 in high state of cultivation. Cut over 75 tons of fodder this year. Good pasture and a lot of wood. The farm will be sold at 12 o'clock.

The personal property is, in part as follows: One pair bay work horses, weigh about 2600 pounds; 1 bay driving horse, weighs 1050, six years old, sound, kind and a good driver; 2 cows and 2 heifers, one of the cows just calved, young and a big milker; about 60 swine, all prize winners; very fine boar from Whipple farm, has taken three first premiums. The pigs are from 2 to 8 months old. A very fine lot. About 50 tons of the best hay and some fodder.

Farming tools are all nearly new and the very best makes. Two farm wagons, hay rack, tip cart body and rear wheels, manure spreader, 3 sleds, 3 plows, 3 harrows, 2-horse mowing machine, horse rake, hay tedder, roller, wheelbarrow, grindstone, horse cultivator, Planet Jr. weeder, ladders, 2 sets double harnesses, 2 single and 2 express harnesses, Goddard buggy, open wagon, road cart, sleigh, pung, all the small tools of every kind in use on the farm.

This property is sold by order of the owner. Offers an exceptional opportunity to secure this fine farm and equipments at auction prices.

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Black Mercerized Petticoats, from 49c to $3.98—Black Silk Moreen Petticoats, $2.98 to $5.00.

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Dainty Corset Covers, from 23c to $2.98 Each—Beautiful sets of Underwear that cannot be duplicated elsewhere in price, quality and style.

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1 30-inch Broad Tail Velvet Coat, tight fitting, was $37.50, to close $25.00.
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1 45-inch Broad Tail Persian Coat, tight fitting, was $60.00, to close $45.00.

Men's Furnishing Department

CORNER ENTRANCE.

10 salesmen to attend to your wants. We are doing the furnishing business of the town. We've got the stock and prices are right. Men's Squirrel Lined Gloves in grays and tans, $3.98—Men's Fancy Suspenders in handsome boxes, 50c—Men's Fancy Hose in silk and lisle, neat patterns, 50c—Men's Bath Robes, made from wool, elderdown, in all colors, from $2.50 to $10.00.

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Everybody can be fully supplied here with handkerchiefs: men's, women's and children's. Men's and Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c Each, 6 in a box $1.35—Women's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box, 50c—Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, the best value in Lowell, 25c—Men's Silk Mufflers, black and white, our leader, for 50c.

Women's Neckwear

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Each piece in a nice box makes a nice present. Our line is the largest and choicest in the city—you'd think we were the only ones in the business if you'd see the crowd of eager purchasers.
Handsome Silk and Lace Stocks, chiffon jabot, in nice boxes, 50c.
Beautiful Lace Cuff and Collar Sets, 25c.
Silk Beaded Collars, all colors, boxed, 25c.
Belts—Black, Blue and Brown Silk, latest styles, shirred back, fancy buckles, in handsome boxes, 50c.

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Pin Cushions, lace trimmed, 25c, 39c, 59c and $1.00.
Fancy Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, 25c.
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Women's Hosiery

VERY GIFTY.

Women's Hose, lace ankle and all-over laces, all colors, from 50c to $1.50 Pair.
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Linens

For the Christmas trade and gift making we have assembled here the finest Scotch and Irish Table Linens.
Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 25c.
Hemstitched and Fringed Damask and Huck Towels, 25c.
Real Cluny Lace Doilies, 25c, 35c and 50c.
Hemstitched German Linen Table Sets, $3.50 per Set.

Blankets and Comforters

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25 pairs 11-4 All Woolen Blankets, pink and blue borders, a splendid gift, $5.00.
50 pairs 11-4 part wool Blankets, blue and pink borders, first quality, $2.98.
50 Snow Flake Comforters, silkaline and sateen covering, holiday price $1.69.

Dolls, Games and Toys

SOLD IN THE BEST BASEMENT IN LOWELL.

Fancy Dressed Dolls, were 75c, for.....49c
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Fancy Dressed Dolls, were $1.00, for.....75c
Undressed Kid Body Dolls, were 50c, for.....39c
Large Washable Dolls, reduced to.....50c
Semi-Dressed Jointed Dolls, reduced to.....75c
Large Checker Games 25c
Small Checker Games 5c
Fish Ponds, large size.....25c
Castle Boat Race, large size..... 25c
Parchessie, a popular parlor game.....69c

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RECOUNT ENDED

And Revised Figures Show No Changes

Fairweather Leads Aldermanic Ticket by One Vote—Casey Makes a Net Gain of Four—Registrars Tired Out After Arduous Task

The registrars of voters finished their arduous task of recounting the aldermanic votes of the city last night and a more weary and played out quartet never left city hall. In the four days they worked they earned their year's salary of $550 for each one of the four will feel the effect of the strain on his eyes and nerves for some time to come.

The recount made no change in the political complexion of next year's officials for it's Mayor-elect Casey and the same nine aldermen as were named before the recount. Casey lost one vote and Hill lost five. Dennis J. Mann of precinct three, ward seven, received one vote for mayor.

The only really important change in the original order was a gain by Alderman Fairweather, which makes him high man, leading Alderman Carmichael by one vote.

The registrars worked for 50 hours assisted by two clerks. Mr. Sullivan's eyes gave out on Wednesday night and last night Mr. Hazen was nervously exhausted. City Clerk Dadman suffered with eye weakness after Wednesday and Mr. Farley felt his eyes paining him last evening. But Kendal and Charlie Hartwell of the republican city committee were on deck during the entire recount and they were well pleased when the job was finished.

The revised vote for mayor was as follows: Casey 7306 and Hill 6733, a net gain of four for Casey.

The revised aldermanic vote was as follows:

Fairweather	7238,	gains 12
Carmichael	7237,	gains 1
Allen	6985,	gains 13
Grant	6892,	gains 29
Braden	6886,	gains 15
Hayes	6867,	loses 3
Cosgrove	6813,	gains 16
Walker	6734,	loses 10
Rourke	6696,	gains 36
Livingston	6562,	loses 27
McVey	6524,	gains 36
Gallagher	6417,	gains 27
Taylor	6296,	gains 1
Hilliard	6213,	loses 23
Robinson	6111,	loses 17
Porter	5942,	gains 7
Welch	5884,	gains 13
Stowell	5656,	gains 63
Blanks	5605,	gains 111

Yesterday's work was confined to wards seven and eight. Ward seven was taken up first. The greatest changes noted in ward seven were in precinct three where Braden gained 12 and Fairweather 9, while Gallagher lost 10 and blanks lost 13.

Precinct one of ward eight showed fewer changes than any precinct of the entire city. Casey lost one vote and Hill gained one. Parker gained one and blanks lost one.

Precinct two, the strongest republican precinct in Massachusetts, had many changes. Hill gained a vote and Barker lost one. Allen gained seven and Carmichael two. Cosgrove, Crooker, O. A. Draper, Folsom, Gallagher, Livingston and Stowell gained a vote each. McVey gained 26 and Rourke won three. Robinson lost 19. Blanks lost 29 votes.

In the last precinct counted, three of eight, Casey lost a vote and Hill lost two. Parker gained three. Carmichael gained three and Cosgrove won two. O. A. Draper and Folsom, socialists, lost a vote apiece, while Gallagher gained three. Livingston and Richardson lost one each. McVey, Taylor and Welch gained one. Robinson gained one. Rourke won three and Stowell and Walker two each. Blanks lost 19.

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W. L. Douglas Paid a Visit to Lowell This Week

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FINE PAINTINGS

SECOND DAY'S SALE OF MR. COGGESHALL'S WORK.

The bidding on Mr. Coggeshall's paintings, yesterday, the second day of the sale, was more lively than on the first day, and while fair prices were taken the money did not represent the real value of the work. Two of the most valuable paintings had to be withdrawn because the bidding did not reach a pitch sufficiently high to make the offer reasonable, and the pictures were withdrawn under the rights reserved by the auctioneer, E. B. Conant.

A Venetian scene, in water color, "On Fondimenta Zatterei," brought the highest price paid for any one picture, $10. Some small water colors sold as low as $1 each. There are still a few of the smaller pictures left, and Mr. Coggeshall says that he will add others to the collection, attractive bits of scenery, which can be bought at private sale. The room will be open from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., each day, up to Jan. 1. Top floor, Central block, Central street.

PLEASANT PARTY

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHOIR MET WITH MR. AND MRS. GILLAM.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gillam, 28 Warwick street, was the scene of a joyous and musical gathering last evening. The choir of the First Congregational church met there and nearly all the members of the choir were present. A musical program of rare merit was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

GOOD RACING

AT CONVENTION HALL ON BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23—Good time was made in the professional bicycle events on the thirteen lap track at Convention hall last night.

Results:

Three mile motor paced, won by Frank Caldwell of Bristol, Conn. Time—5.10.

Five mile motor-paced, won by Nat Butler of Boston. Time—6.16.

Four mile motor-paced won by Louis Mettling of Boston. Time—6.35 3-5.

NORTH BILLERICA.

A well attended whist party was held in the rooms of the Billerica republican club last night. Three prizes, two turkeys and a chicken, were offered by the committee in charge, and at the close of two hours' play the following winners were announced:

First prize, 12-pound turkey, won by Thomas F. Sheridan with 56 points. Second prize, 10-pound turkey, won by James O'Toole, 52, and third, a 5-pound chicken, won by Henry O'Brien, 49.

The Talbot grammar school closed yesterday afternoon for the annual Christmas vacation.

The installation of the newly elected officers of North Billerica council, R. A., will take place Wednesday night, Jan. 4.

Holiday gifts, Oriental Bazaar

DEWOLFE MANSION

DESTROYED BY FIRE LAST NIGHT.

BRISTOL, R. I., Dec. 23.—The old De Wolfe mansion, known as "The Mount," on the east side of the city, and one of the finest types of colonial architecture in Rhode Island, was destroyed by fire last night. Mrs. William D. De Wolfe, who occupied the mansion at the time, escaped with her maid, and the two, with the aid of a neighbor, saved an oil portrait of U. S. Senator James De Wolfe who built the house a century ago; a Gilbert Stuart portrait of Washington and considerable furniture. The loss is estimated at $35,000, but this does not represent the loss from an historic standpoint.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Manager Murphy of the Academy of Music has arranged a special Christmas attraction for Sunday afternoon and evening, the proceeds of which will go to the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church. The feature of the program will be high-class moving pictures, together with illustrated songs and other features too numerous to mention. The pictures will all be new and never before shown in this city and prominent among them will be: "Meet Me at the Fountain," "Uncle Rube's Birthday," "Burglars at Work," "Panorama Views of the Elks," "The Fox Hunt," and a host of others equally interesting. The prices for the afternoon will be 10 and 20c, while the evening prices will be 10, 20, and 30c.

CHILDREN'S HOME.

At the invitation of the matron, Mrs. O'Leary, and through the kindness of Mr. Mitchell of the Mon March, Santa Claus visited the Children's Home on Kirk street, Wednesday, to the great delight of the children who gathered around him and told their wants. He departed promising to return with what gifts he could gather at Christmas.

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EAGLES FLEW

FIRE BROKE OUT WHERE MEETING WAS BEING HELD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Fire broke out last night in a four-story building in First street, Elizabeth, N. J., while four hundred members of the local lodge of Eagles were in session on the top floor and a meeting of the Daughters of Liberty was in session on the floor below. The first burst of fire was accompanied by a dense smoke and many of the members of the two lodges were almost overcome before they reached the street. No one was injured, but the men lost their hats and overcoats and many of the women lost their wraps.

The ground floor of the building was occupied by Arnold Textor, dealers in painters' supplies. The property loss amounted to $60,000.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Local Lodge, No. 14, National Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, elected officers for the ensuing year at its meeting last evening at Bay State hall in Central street, and Hugh J. Gallagher was chosen president by an overwhelming vote.

Other officials elected were James L. Rogers, vice president; John Barrett, secretary and treasurer; William Gallagher, recording secretary; Joseph Cryan, guide; John Deane, trustee; Michael Cornelly, financial secretary, and John Farrell sergeant-at-arms.

John Walton, John Rogers, Michael Cornelly, William Galvin, Hugh J. Gallagher and John Barrett were chosen delegates to the Trades and Labor council.

Reports received from the treasurer and financial secretary indicate that the lodge is in a flourishing condition and the membership has increased materially during the year just closing.

Following the business session President-elect Hugh Gallagher delivered an interesting discourse on the advantages of united effort which is gained through unionism, and he pointed to the labor struggle in Fall River as an example of strength derived from unionism.

Highland Council, 970, R. A., held a largely attended meeting last evening. Much routine business was transacted and one application received. After the close of the business meeting a whist party was held for which five prizes were up. The 1st prize was a solid silver smoking set and was won by J. Orrill of Highland; the 2d prize, a loving cup, was won by Chas. H. Hartley of Highland; the 3d prize, a gold inkstand, was won by Fred Rand of Highland; the 1st booby prize, an ornament, was won by C. F. Donahue of Highland; 2d booby prize, an ornament, was won by W. J. Scannell of Highland.

In the forthcoming bowling tournament Highland council will play against North Billerica council Friday evening, Jan. 6th, at the Bowlaway.

A union meeting of the different branches of the New England Order of Protection was held last evening in this city, and Crystal, Elgin, Neptune, Echo and Talbot lodges of this city and Lawrence lodge of Lawrence were represented.

A class initiation was in order and the candidates were initiated by the degree staff of Crystal lodge. The committee in charge were W. S. Holt, chairman; Thomas Frost, William N. Mountain, Mrs. Bowen, Charles Kittredge, T. E. Smith, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Buxton, Walter Morris and J. F. Kent.

After the business of the session, supper was served, following which remarks were made by the grand officers.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN.

The regular meeting of L'Union St. Joseph was held last night with a large attendance, the principal business of the meeting being the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President, Wilfrid Lorrain; vice president, Edmond Pelletier; recording secretary, J. A. Plante, re-elected; assistant recording secretary, Arthur Plante, re-elected; treasurer, Isidore Turcotte, re-elected; assistant treasurer, D. B. Lebouef, re-elected; sick visitors, Albert Leblanc, re-elected; Pierre Roy; directors, Alexis Dolzois, re-elected; Alexander Lagasse, re-elected; Horace Carufel, F. J. G. Lorrain, Telesphore Gendron.

The installation of these officers will take place on the first Thursday in January.

MIDGET'S RECEPTION AND LOLLY POPS AT CASTO.

Manager Haynes has arranged an excellent attraction for the school children at the Casto Saturday afternoon. After the matinee performance Mrs. Tom Thumb, Count and Baron Magri, the famous miniature artists, who head this week's program in their sparkling comedy "Two Strings to Her Bow" will hold a reception upon the stage and to every person who attends will be presented the latest craze, a lolly pop. This will be the only opportunity the school children will have of meeting these famous lilliputians for this is the farewell engagement of these world-famous folk. To meet personally these midgets and also receive a lolly pop is indeed a treat for the young folks. The current program at the Casto is an excellent one and will please the little ones. In addition to Mrs. Tom Thumb, and the Count and Baron Magri will be seen an excellent comedy program which includes the best acts in vaudeville. Owing to the rush which is certain to occur it would be wise to order reserved seats at once. This may be done by calling telephone 815-3.

CHESS CONTEST.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The 18th annual intercollegiate chess tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton, four men representing each university, was begun at the Westside Republican club in this city.

The tournament will be continued today and conclude on Saturday.

The pairing for the first round has been arranged as follows:

G. W. Tucker, Mr. (C.), Wm. N. Woodbury (Y.), Queenspawn opening.

Joseph Tolins (C.), Charles P. Kimball (Y.), Scotch opening.

Louis P. Wolff (C.), Arthur S. Jameson (Y.), Sellian opening.

Abraham Laschuk (C.), Clifford H. Owen (Y.), Queenspawn opening.

P. W. Brigham (H.), Stanley (P.), F. Nelson's bishop's gambit opening.

W. Shoeland (H.), T. Merry (P.), Vienna opening.

G. T. McClure (H.), Waldron M. Ward (P.), king's gambit decline opening.

Q. A. Brackett (H.), Charles Williams (P.), Giouk piano opening.

The games today resulted as follows:

Woodbury beat Tucker 53 moves; Tolins beat Kimball 34 moves; Wolff and Jameson drew 53 moves; Owen beat Laziuk 36 moves; Nelson beat Bridgman 30 moves; McClure beat Ward 55 moves; Brackett beat Williams 58 moves. The game between Howland and Mowry was adjourned after 53 moves, to be adjudicated by the referee. The result gives Yale 2½ points, Harvard 2, Columbia 1½, Princeton 1.

POSTAL NOTES

HINTS TO HELP THE CARRIERS AT CHRISTMAS.

There will be one delivery Monday morning by the carriers.

Post your letter early for many of the carriers are unable to complete their entire delivery in the afternoon within the prescribed eight hours. All carriers must complete their forenoon trips and work in the afternoon till the eight hours is completed.

Many of the carriers received presents yesterday. It was noticeable that the more humble of the population remembered the carriers more liberally. In the "Little Canada" district one patron took a subscription paper around to the great benefit of Letter-Carrier Ambrose A. Vigeant. As a result a check was mailed to him for $53.00.

The postoffice stamp window will be open Sunday as usual from 12 until 1 o'clock, and the carriers will be ready to pass out the Christmas mail.

Letter-Carrier Charles A. Carey has been appointed state vice-president by President James C. Keller of Washington, D. C., of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Arthur A. Racicot, Jr., who was recently appointed second lieutenant in the United States marine corps, is home for a few days.

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Choice selection of Ladies' Raccoon Scarfs, full length, handsomely finished and well worth $7.50 ..... $4.98

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Men's Velvet Embroidered Slippers, Everett, Harvard and Opera, $1.00 value..... 48c

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300 Pairs of Fine Black Undressed Worsted Dress Trousers, worth $3

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Former Supt. of Buildings is Dead

James B. Conlon, former superintendent of buildings, and one of Lowell's best known and most promising young men, died shortly before six o'clock last evening at his home, 339 Concord street, after an illness of six weeks' duration.

Although he had been in a critical condition for several days, a change for the better was noted on Sunday last and it was hoped that he was on the road to recovery. Yesterday morning, however, he lapsed into unconsciousness and after a consultation of doctors it was seen that it would be only a matter of a short time before death would come.

While his death was not entirely unexpected yet its announcement will cause genuine sorrow among his large circle of friends, and to the grief-stricken parents to whom the deceased was a devoted and exemplary son, is extended the deep sympathy of the community.

James B. Conlon was born in this city, the son of Patrick and Annie Conlon, his father being the well known contractor and ex-alderman. He received his early education in the Immaculate Conception parochial school and in Westford where he spent his earliest days. Upon leaving school he entered the business of his father and beginning as a bricklayer's apprentice, worked up to the position of foreman and as such directed some of the largest building contracts in Lowell, while yet barely out of his teens. Two years ago at the request of his friends he became a candidate for superintendent of lands and buildings and held the position until a short time ago when he was retired in favor of the present incumbent. Being the youngest man ever to hold the position, his career in city hall was watched by relentlessly critical eyes and yet he made a record at city chall equal to the best in the history of the department, and his retirement from the position was due to the fortunes of political war rather than to any personal objections. Immediately after retiring from city hall, in fact the next day, the deceased resumed his old position as foreman for his father and worked steadily until six weeks ago when he was taken down with the illness which resulted in his death.

Personally he was a most companionable young man and a great favorite with his friends. He was thoroughly honest in all his dealings, of sympathetic and kindly nature and a firm friend. He lived an upright life and died fortified with the rites of the Catholic church of which he was a practical member. His home relations were particularly happy, for he was the only child and devoted to his parents to whom his death comes with crushing effect. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

THE BOWLAWAY

NEW BOWLING ALLEYS OPENED UP LAST NIGHT.

The Bowlaway, the new bowling alleys on Hurd street, was opened last night at seven o'clock, and during the evening a large number of bowling enthusiasts, together with their friends, called and inspected the new alleys. The proprietors, Messrs. Thomas F. Hennessey and Charles Bunker, were on hand and were busy receiving congratulations.

Shortly after seven o'clock Mr. Hennessey rolled a ball down alley No. 5 which was the first ball put in play. He succeeded in knocking down six of the ten pins, while Mr. Bunker a few minutes later rolled a ball down alley No. 4 and he also sent six pins into the pit. The next ball by Mr. Hennessey sent three pins down while Mr. Bunker was less fortunate, only knocking two down in his alley.

The American orchestra of six pieces under P. W. Burleigh then struck up a stirring march which mingled gloriously with the noise of the falling pins and the shouts of the enthusiasts in the "gallery."

Between 8 and 10 the orchestra gave a fine program.

During the evening representatives of the Boston branch of the constructing firm of the Brunswick Balke, Collender Co., showed their skill and the speed of the alleys. Those present were: Auvelt Taylor, manager; Wm. T. Sears, salesman; William Killam and Wm. Doherty of Cambridge, a member of the Cambridgeport gym.

Mr. Henry J. O'Dowd, the owner of the building, was also on hand and with his wife, received the congratulations of many on his fine building.

The electrical effects shone brilliantly during the evening and made the floor space as light as day.

They were installed by the firm of Harry Harding of this city. On the outside of the building was an immense electric illuminated sign designed by Daniel Miller. The electrical work on it was done by M. Dunn.

Many inspected the dance hall in the upper story of the building during the evening. The hall will be completed in a few weeks and will be second to none of its size in the city.

HELD IN $500

WOODBURY FACES ANOTHER PRISON SENTENCE.

HAVERHILL, Dec. 23.—Eben A. Woodbury was held in $500 for the grand jury yesterday by Judge Abbott. He pleaded guilty to the larceny of a gold watch from a boarding house on Perker street. He was caught by the landlord yesterday while rummaging one of the rooms of a boarder.

Woodbury, according to the police, has been in prison twice in New Hampshire for terms of three years each. Another term awaits him when the Haverhill authorities are through with him, sentence having been suspended. He has served time also in the state prison of this state, having been sentenced for a crime at Lawrence.

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"Merode" Drawers,
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Muslin Corset Covers,
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Nainsook Drawers,
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At $1.00

Muslin Gowns,
Muslin Petticoats,
Muslin Drawers,
Muslin Corset Covers,
Sateen Petticoats (colors),
Mercerized Moreen Petticoats,
Lined Petticoats,
Silk Hose (colors),
"Merode" Union Suits,
Swiss Rib Silk Vests,
Box 3 pairs Hose,
Flannelette Gowns,
Knit Skirts.

At $1.50

Black Lasting Petticoats,
Cambric Corset Covers,
Cambric Petticoats,
Cambric Drawers,
Cambric Gowns,
All Wool Union Suits.
All Wool Vests.
All Wool Drawers,
Teazledown Gowns,
Knit Skirts,
Black Silk Hose,
Brown Sateen Petticoats
Lined Petticoats.

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Silk Moreen Petticoats,
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Cambric Petticoats,
Nainsook Corset Covers,
Nainsook Drawers,
Cambric Gowns,
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TIME'S ALMOST UP!

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Books	Palmer Street, Centre	Umbrellas	West Section, Centre Aisle
Toys	Merrimack Street, Basement	Toilet Goods	West Section, North Aisle
Dolls	Palmer Street, Rear	Stationery	East Section, North Aisle
Ladies' Gloves	West Section, North Aisle	Jewelry	West Section, Right Aisle
Handkerchiefs	East Section, Centre Aisle	Fancy Goods	East Section, Centre Aisle
Men's Furnishings	East Section, Left Aisle	China, Glassware	Merrimack Street Basement

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$2.98 Sweaters, now for sale at $1.98.

$3.98 Sweaters, now for sale at $2.98.

$4.50 and $5.00 Sweaters, now for sale at $3.98.

SHAWLS—Small shoulder Shawls, 42 in. square, only 75c. Size 47 in. square, only ..... $1.00 EACH

Beaver Shawls, 2 yards square, heavy and warm, greys and browns, at .....$1.50, $2.00, $2.75 and $3.00

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Sundays, 8.40 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
5.46	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.28	7.40	6.30	7.26
6.39	7.30	7.54	8.54
6.49	7.39	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.00	9.37
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.48	8.35	11.30	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.37	9.46	1.00	1.37
9.38	10.18	2.05	3.01
11.05	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.48	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.44	2.50	5.00	5.37
1.50	2.39	5.38	6.25
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.28	5.30	6.14	7.30
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
5.49	7.00	8.30	9.08
6.12	6.55	10.30	11.31
7.39	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.30	8.31
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.38	10.45	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.50	2.05
12.05	1.26	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.35	4.50
2.30	3.23	4.50	5.40
3.10	4.03	6.01	7.02
3.55	5.00	6.25	7.45
5.05	6.46	8.40	10.15
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.18
7.00	8.00		
9.30	10.28		

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SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.1
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.35	4.50	3.05	6.25
5.43	6.58		
8.03	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.39	7.50	9.00	10.00
7.54	8.10		
8.48	9.40	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.15	1.00	1.37
2.25	3.27	5.00	5.30
5.28	6.30	7.30	8.08
6.22	7.05	8.30	9.08
		9.00	10.02

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A WATER FAMINE

Factories and Railroads Feel Effect of the Drouth

FRANKLIN, N. H., Dec. 23.—The water famine in this part is growing serious. Mills feel the effect of the drouth, the Boston & Maine railroad finds its water supply short and farmers are obliged in many cases to take their stock long distances to water and then keep their cattle on short water rations. Officials of the Boston & Maine say that every water tank on the 50 miles between Concord and Canaan except the one at East Andover is out of commission. The road proposes to put in steam pumps to fill the tanks.

This week a hose was run from one of the city water hydrants to the water tank, and engines were able to take water, and thus avoid a serious emergency. This cannot be continued longer, however, as the Franklin board of water commissioners refuse to take any chances of allowing the supply to become any lower.

The famine is felt by the concerns along the Winnipesaukee river. The International paper company's mills held back so much water last week that not enough was given the Franklin light and power company, whose plant is below the paper mills, and as a result the electric lights all over the city went out until more water was allowed to flow over the paper company's dam.

The pulp mills are only running half of their grinders, and in consequence the supply of wood pulp is inadequate at the other mills. One paper mill is shut down on account of the shortage of wood pulp.

Farmers in Salisbury and Sanbornton complain that their wells are drying up.

HUDSON'S SUPPLY

IS SUFFICIENT TO LAST ONE YEAR.

HUDSON, Dec. 23.—None of this town's numerous manufactories are likely to be at all disturbed because of any scarcity of water. Water commissioner Daniel W. Stratton declares that there is no cause for alarm. The town is supplied by Gates pond in Berlin, the water in which was two feet lower a year ago than it is now. The reservoir covers an area of 75 acres and is very deep. The town gets its supply by gravity, and there are 11 feet of water below the main pipe through which the water is carried to the consumers. It is estimated that the quantity of water now in the pond would last considerably more than a year. The pond is fed by springs beneath the surface, so there is no way of telling to what degree they may be affected by the prevailing dry spell.

The Assabet river, which with its tributaries furnishes power in part for one or two factories, and which feeds the Fort Meadow and Boone lake reservoirs in this town and in Stow, supplying the American woolen mills in Maynard with a part of their water power, seems to be about as full as it usually is at this time of the year.

MANCHESTER MILLS

KEPT RUNNING BY USE OF AUXILIARY STEAM.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 23.—Lake Massabesic, from which this city daily pumps more than 3,000,000 gallons of water, has been reduced in area nearly 50 per cent. Manchester's only other source of supply is the Merrimack river, but there are no facilities for securing more than one-third of the quantity which would be needed.

The effect upon manufacturing was not noticeable to any extent until a section of the machinery at the big Jefferson mill of the Amoskeag manufacturing company broke down. An attempt to run by water power had to be abandoned. All of the mills of Manchester have auxiliary steam power, which they are using.

In the outlying towns much distress prevails, and farmers with live stock have been selling them for beef or killing them for home consumption because of the labor involved in securing water, nearly all wells having dried up.

WELL SUPPLIED

MARLBORO HAS A RESERVOIR IN RESERVE.

MARLBORO, Dec. 23—Though other localities are much distressed because of scarcity of water, the conditions in this city are very satisfactory. The water in lake Williams, the original source of the city's water supply, is much lower than it has been for many months, but there is still enough to last at least until March 1. The supply in reserve at Millham reservoir can then be drawn upon. George A. Stacy, superintendent of water works, declares that in that reservoir there is enough to last a year.

None of the city's manufacturers are dependent upon any stream for any part of their water supply, for none of them use water power.

CAN SUPPLY NEEDS

CLINTON AND LANCASTER USE 510,000 GALONS A DAY.

CLINTON, Dec. 23—The amount of water consumed last month in this town and in Lancaster, which is supplied by this town's system, was 510,000 gallons a day, which is a reduction from a daily consumption of 1,000,000 gallons used a few years ago, the decrease being due to the installing of meters. The town is in a condition to furnish its inhabitants with all the water they will need for a long time.

The manufactories are not dependent upon brooks or streams for their power.

BURNING MORE COAL

SACO AND BIDDEFORD COTTON MILLS FEEL WATER FAMINE.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 23—The shortage of water in the Saco river has necessitated the burning of much larger quantities of coal by the cotton manufacturing plants in this city and Saco, as much of the machinery that was run by water power is now run by steam.

The Pepperell corporation in this city is more affected than the York company across the river, and its boilers are run to their full capacity during the entire working hours. When there is plenty of water in the Saco, from 125 to 150 tons of coal are burned each week, while at present the amount consumed is 240 tons, or 40 tons daily.

It has been necessary to run the carding department until 10 p. m. since there has been a shortage of water, in order to keep up the work.

Never in recent years has the river been as low as this season. The ground is frozen, and it would require a rainstorm of several days to do much good.

While many of the smaller industries are bothered to some extent by the low water they do not feel it as much as the big cotton mills. The Saco & Pettee machine shops are running on short time during the winter, and have as yet experienced little inconvenience from the drouth.

RIVER IS LOW

MILLS ON MERRIMACK RIVER AT LAWRENCE FEEL SHORTAGE.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 23—The manufacturing industries here are seriously affected by the low water in the rivers. The water in the Merrimack river, officials of the Essex company say, is the lowest it has been since 1883. The water in the Shawsheen river, which furnishes power to several small industries, is also very low and several factories have been obliged to shut down.

As yet none of the factories on the Merrimack river in this city has been obliged to suspend work. Nearly all of them, however, have been obliged to curtail the amount used.

Nearly all of the large factories here are equipped with steam plants, used by the mills during the period of high water. In case the shortage should continue these mills can be kept running by their steam plants.

LEOMINSTER NOT DISTRESSED.

LEOMINSTER, Dec. 23—While the town's supply of water is not up to the usual amount for this time of year, Supt. Fred Witherbee of the water department has no fear of an immediate water famine. He says that even is there should be no fall of rain for several months there would be nothing like a distressing condition. While none of the factories or shops are solely dependent upon the streams for their power, it is used to as great an extent as possible. In this respect the scarcity of water is felt somewhat by manufacturers.

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CHILDREN'S TRIMMED HATS, regular price $2.48, for 98c
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FANCY MADE HATS in all colors and styles, for $1.48

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Boston Clam Chowder
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Home-made Sausage, Fried Orange Fritters, Lemon Sauce.
Roast—Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
Loin of Native Pork, Apple Sauce
Vegetables—Boiled Onions, Mashed Turnips.
Steamed English Plum Pudding.
Pies—Apple, Mince, Lemon, Custard, Squash.
Coffee Jelly, Whipped Cream.
Tea. Milk. Coffee.
Ice Cream instead of Pie or Pudding.

This bill will be served Sunday and Monday from 11 a.m. till 8 p.m.

Home-made Bread just like mother makes.

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Men's $1.35 heavy or light weight one buckle Overshoes, Sale Price **98 cts pr.**

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There will be rain or snow and warmer tonight. Saturday rain or snow, followed by clearing and colder weather; brisk to high westerly winds.

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NAN COLLAPSED

When She Heard Jury Could Not Agree

The Jurors Stood 6 to 6 on Vote on Question of Guilt—District Attorney Jerome's Position Relative to New Trial—Father Tried to Comfort the Accused Woman

NEW YORK, DEC. 23—NAN PATTERSON, ACCUSED OF THE MURDER OF CAESAR YOUNG, MAY BE SET FREE THOUGH THE JURY COULD NOT AGREE ON A VERDICT.

WHEN THE JURY REPORTED SHORTLY BEFORE 12 O'CLOCK THAT THEY COULD NOT AGREE THE COURT ORDERED THEM TO FURTHER CONSIDER THE MATTER. LATER THEY REPORTED THAT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO REACH A DECISION AND THEY WERE DISCHARGED. DISTRICT-ATTORNEY JEROME ANNOUNCED THAT IF AFTER AN INVESTIGATION IT IS SHOWN THAT THE OVERWHELMING VIEW OF THE JURY WAS FOR ACQUITTAL THEN IT WAS LIKELY THAT NAN WOULD NOT BE TRIED AGAIN.

WILD EXCITEMENT

IN NEW YORK AWAITING THE PATTERSON VERDICT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Even in the face of certain knowledge that news of the result of the jury's deliberations would not be forthcoming until after 10 o'clock today, scores of persons remained all night around the criminal court building hoping to be the first to hear the verdict in the case of Nan Patterson. Driven from the building, just before midnight, when the jury was locked up for the night by order of Justice Davis, the curious crowd gathered in little knots in sheltered places in the vicinity to wait and speculate and insure for themselves an advantageous position in the line when the doors were again opened today. Even when the dim light which came through the windows of the jury room indicated that the jurors had given up their arguments for the night and were attempting to sleep, rumors from inside the building found their way to the patient waiters. The source of these rumors no one knew and little faith was placed in their truthfulness.

In the early night mysterious information had it that the jury stood firm on the basis of nine for acquittal, one for conviction of murder in the second degree of manslaughter of which they believed the prisoner guilty. Before daylight however, there had been a decided change in the sentiment of the jury, according to report. At that time a story which gained circulation had 11 jurors favoring acquittal with one holding out for conviction of murder in the first degree. Of course there was nothing to substantiate these rumors, but every bit of gossip was seized upon by those who had waited so long.

The first sign of life in the big court building came just before daybreak when a bright light flickered up in the window of the jury room scarcely more than a dozen feet away from the court house end of the bridge of sighs. A little later the officers who had been on guard in the building all night came out one by one for breakfast and a little after 7 o'clock, the jurors, guarded by court officers, marched out to a nearby restaurant for their morning meal. As they came through the Franklin street exit, the jurors were met by a crowd of not less than 200 persons, including the self appointed guard who had remained on duty all night. If the crowd had expected to learn anything from the faces of the jurors they were disappointed for there was nothing in their expression save weariness. It was learned that the room in which the long night was spent was entirely without furniture with the exception of a table and a dozen small wooden chairs. Whatever rest the jurors got therefore, was obtained under far from ideal conditions. They suffered somewhat from cold during the night, too, the officers said, and the engineer was aroused in the early morning hours with a request for more steam.

OFFICER FAINTED.

There was another giving away of over strained nerves today when Wm. Ryan, a policeman on guard at the entrance to the jury room fainted. He was sent to his station house in a patrol wagon. He had been doing extra duty and this with the excitement of the trial was too much for him.

After the hardest day of her life, a day which opened with the brightest hope and ended in darkest despair, Nan Patterson retired to her cot in the tombs half an hour after midnight. It had been reported from the little "pen" over the jury room, where she spent the long hours of waiting yesterday and last evening that she was on the verge of nervous collapse and that even her aged father, who has been constantly at her side was unable to calm her.

According to the matron of the tombs, however, the girl had hardly touched her cot in the cell before she was asleep. Her sleep was troubled and she awoke many times during the night but on the whole got a much better night's rest than might have been expected. "I don't see how she does it," said the matron. "She has the most wonderful nerve of any woman I ever knew."

FINAL SCENES

IN THE TRIAL OF NAN PATTERSON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—At 11.30 the hour which had been set for the opening of court, word came by telephone that Justice Davis was delayed and that he would not reach the court house until 11.30. In the meantime officers about the court house corridors had serious difficulty in holding in check the crowds clamoring for admission. The court's order that spectators be rigidly excluded from the court room was carried out almost to the letter. Half a hundred persons occupied seats in the court room. Among them were only three women. Promptly at 11.30 John Randolph Patterson the prisoner's father, came in and took a seat at the counsel's table.

No word had been received from Justice Davis up to that time, however and there followed another wait of ten minutes before a stir indicated that the court was about to resume its sessions. A moment later the jurors, their faces showing deep lines as a result of their all night vigil, filed solemnly in and took their places behind the rail. Miss Patterson had not reached the court room up to that time but as the jurors marched down the

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The program was well prepared and the manner in which it was given by the students reflected much credit on the sisters of the academy.

The program was carried out as follows:

Valse de Noel ..... Wachs
Miss Alice Joyce.

"HIAWATHA."

Act I—Indian Dance and Drill.
"Full of hope and yet of heart-break
Is the Song of Hiawatha."
Mountain Spring ..... Bohm
Miss Jennie Cassity.

Act II—Hiawatha's Youth.
"'Tis by struggle and by labor
You shall gain what you have prayed for."

Act III—Hiawatha's Wooing.
"Minnehaha, Minnehaha,"
Lovely Lady, Laughing Water."
Cuban Dance ..... Hoffman
Miss Julia Slattery.

Act IV—The Wedding Feast.
"Smiles the earth and smile the waters,
Smile the cloudless skies above us."
Lucrezia ..... Gorla
Miss Euretta Marin.

Act V—The Famine.
Scene I—Death of Minnehaha.
Scene II—Hiawatha's farewell to Minnehaha.
Buona Notte ..... Nevin
Miss Elizabeth Coughlin.

GOING ABROAD.

Christmas Bells ..... Juniors

A CHRISTMAS REVERIE.

Part I—Festive Wishes.

Part II—Thoughts of the Crib.

Holy Night ..... Adams
Semi-Chorus.
Cast of Characters:

"HIAWATHA."

Hiawatha K. Tessler; Nokomis, A. Fardy; Iago, G. Brett; Mondamin, A. Burke; Minnehaha, F. Dozois; Gitche Manito, F. Murphy; Famine, N. Lyons; Pan-Puk-Kuws, M. Ballam.

Indian guests: E. Locker, F. Molloy, M. Quinn, S. Kilcourse, G. Fardy, R. Caswell, E. Chalifoux, A. Kiley, M. Mooney, F. Fardy, R. Lyons.

GOING ABROAD.

Sallie, N. Lyons; Felicia, R. Dudgeon; Rosalie, B. Hodson; Adele, R. Hanlon; Miriam, L. McOsker; Mrs. Needy, I. Blank; Mrs. Muntobrun, M. Smythe; Mrs. Wilcox, E. Bullard.

A CHRISTMAS REVERIE.

Part First.

Festive Wishes: Misses A. McManmon, M. Allen, N. O'Neill, A. Lynch, M. Brosnan.

Part Second.

Thoughts at the Crib: Misses M. Donovan, A. Sullivan, M. Donahoe, F. Gilbride, T. Slattery, B. Marin, J. O'Sullivan, G. Fee, A. Vigeani, C. Holmes, M. Mahoney, H. Connors, M. Mooney, E. Girard, T. Healey, L. Poirier, B. Crowley, M. Dunn, E. Rondeau.

DEATHS

BELCHER—David R. Belcher, for nearly six years employed as a cab finisher at the American Locomotive works, died suddenly at his home, 1333 Elm street, Manchester yesterday afternoon at 1.15 o'clock. It appears that the men, on returning to work at the shop after the noon hour on Thursday found Mr. Belcher seated in a chair, with his overcoat half on. One of the men spoke to him but he seemed to be in a dazed condition and upon being asked if he was sick, no reply came. A physician was summoned, Mr. Belcher was removed to his home and everything was done to make him comfortable.

He failed to rouse from the stupor that he was in and he died a few moments after being taken home. The cause of death was a paralytic shock.

Mr. Belcher was 65 years old and was a native of Francestown.

The survivors are a wife, one son, Leonard K. Belcher, of Manchester; two daughters, Mrs. Charles Eddy of Franklin Falls and Mrs. Eugene Philps, living in California; three sisters, Mrs. Annie Sleeper of Lowell, Mass., Mrs. Sarah Frost of Medford, Mass., and Mrs. Lucretia Kendall of Troy. Mr. Belcher was a member of the N. E. O. P. of Goffstown, U. R. K. P. of Manchester and the K. of P. of Franklin Falls.

GILLEN—Martha Gillen, aged 60 years, died this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Fife, 37 LaGrange street. Besides her daughter she is survived by several grandchildren.

HARRINGTON—Mary Harrington, aged 58 years, died this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thos. McCaffrey, 36 Davidson street. She leaves to mourn her loss three daughters, Mrs. Thomas McCaffrey and Mrs. George McCormick, the latter of Waltham, and Miss Margaret Harrington, also a brother, Peter, of Boston.

DOROTHY RUSSELL SERIOUSLY ILL.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 23.—Dorothy Russell, daughter of Lillian Russell, is seriously ill at St. Luke's hospital in this city of bronchial pneumonia. She has been compelled to cancel her engagement at the Orpheum theatre.

"TED" MURPHY

DENIES THAT HE TOOK NELSON'S MONEY.

STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 23.—"Ted" Murphy, who is accused by "Battling" Nelson of the larceny of $10,000, has been arrested here on a Santa Fe train. Two hundred and fifty dollars was found on Murphy by the police.

Murphy was greatly surprised at his arrest. He said that he did not have Nelson's money and that Nelson had bade him good bye at the depot when he left San Francisco.

FELL FROM WAGON

Drunken Man Was Badly Bruised and Cut

ABUSED WIFE COMPLAINS OF HUSBAND

She Found Her Husband Entertaining Strange Woman

One drunken offender, Martin F. Fahey, was released in police court today. He was battered and bruised and scarred and rent. He fell from a wood team yesterday and the ground made a war map of his face. He looked as if he had either assaulted an officer or refereed a wrestling match. "I will drink no more," was his promise to the court.

THE OTHER WOMAN.

Michael Doherty pleaded guilty to complaints charging him with drunkenness and non-support of his wife. The latter, a trim looking little woman, told Judge Hadley that when she went home last night she found her husband and another woman named Holland in the house, drunk. She said that the Holland woman was lying on the table, fast asleep, and her husband was snoozing in the rocking chair near the table.

Mrs. Doherty told the court that her husband is lazy. Instead of getting up early in the morning and searching for work, he would remain in bed until noon time. He gave her $3 Thanksgiving eve; that was the last money she had received from him. She admitted that the dove of peace had not perched on the saddleboard of their little home for many moons, and last night's affair was the straw that broke the camel's back. A drunken woman asleep on her table and her husband dreaming in a chair close by was more than she could stand.

"Are you in the habit of drinking?" asked the court.

"I will not deny that I take a glass of beer," said Mrs. Doherty, "but I do not take enough to hurt me."

"I did not say anything about it hurting you. I only want to know if you drink," said the court.

"Yes, occasionally," replied the woman.

Mrs. Doherty said that she had six children and the court, believing it would be a hardship either to fine or imprison the defendant, placed him on probation for one week, in order to give Doherty an opportunity to find employment. If at the end of that time he is still unemployed, and has no good excuse to offer, he will be subject to sentence by the court.

SAW THE SCALES.

Thomas Keating was charged with drunkenness, and the larceny of three pounds of fish, the property of Samuel Renault. The government was not ready to go on with its case and Keating was ordered in $200 until tomorrow morning.

REMOVED CHRISTMAS TREES.

William Kelly was feeling a bit obstreperous last evening and he amused himself by tearing Christmas trees from their moorings in Gorham street and throwing them into the middle of the street. Kelly was on probation. The suspension of his former sentence of one month to jail was revoked and the original sentence made operative.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

James F. Mangan was charged with drunkenness and he denied the allegation. His wife and the arresting officer, however, declared that Mangan was drunk and his wife said he struck her and drove her from the house in her night clothes. Mangan, who was on probation, having been given a suspended sentence of four months to the common jail some time ago, had the suspension revoked and stood committed to the common jail.

Bridget Holland was sentenced to one month in jail and Nellie Welch will spend the next five months at the same institution.

ELECTRIC VS. GAS.

Heretofore gas has held the boards in police court, but today an electric bulb lighted Judge Hadley's desk, and electric lights have ben added to the lighting fixtures in other parts of the room.

HATE TO WORK

Some of Pauper Dept. Customers are Lazy

There are three men at the city wood pile chopping and sawing wood for which the city pays them in free orders of provisions and fuel at their houses.

These three men receive the same aid as is given to the list of people known as paupers, but these are not recorded as paupers for they earn what they get by working on the wood pile.

But these three represent some 33 who have called for aid at Secretary Courtney's office within the past few days for a good percentage of our local paupers would not be paupers were they not lazy.

As an instance a woman called for aid at the pauper department a few days ago and told Clerk Gallagher that her husband had not worked for eight months and could get nothing to do.

"Send him down here and we'll find work for him," said Clerk Gallagher and the woman went away.

That afternoon the husband, a big, strong, able man, called at the office and inquired for the job that had been promised him.

SCHOOLS CLOSED

Entertainments Held This Afternoon

The school children throughout the city started today on their Christmas holidays, and during the next week the children will enjoy a vacation. The majority of the schools throughout the city suspended this noon, though several which had arranged programs for this afternoon were allowed the privilege of returning to school this afternoon to enjoy the festivities.

The decision to close at noon was made by Mr. Duncan after consultation with a majority of the committee and it was agreed by the same members that the schools should reopen after the Christmas vacation on Monday, Jan. 2.

In many of the schools this morning, especially the primary schools, exercises were held and there were exhibitions of drawing, penmanship, color work and decorative work. Mr. A. K. Whitcomb, the superintendent of schools, in conversation with a representative of The Sun, said that the work as put out by the scholars, especially the primary scholars, was something marvelous and he would not believe that they were capable of turning out the work unless he witnessed it himself.

In some of the schools the children took plain blotters and decorated them in a manner which made them fit for the desk of any person, many of them being marvels of beauty.

In all of the kindergartens this morning Christmas trees were held and the little children had a very enjoyable time. Plenty of presents were on the trees, the presents being furnished by the teachers and the parents of the scholars, and every scholar got one or more gifts.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

The scholars of the Notre Dame Academy left school last night for their Christmas vacation and will return on Monday, Jan. 2. The boys of St. Patrick's boys' school in Suffolk street will attend the session today and have a vacation during the coming week and will return to school a week from Monday.

37 WERE KILLED

Native Scouts Held up by Pulajanes

MANILA, Dec. 23—The Pulajanes have ambushed and killed at Dolores, on the island of Samar, a lieutenant and 37 enlisted men of the Thirty Eighth Company of native scouts. Two thousand Pulajanes, it is reported, threaten the town of Dolores, and the situation is said to be critical. Lieut. Abbott, in command of the scouts has requested that aid be sent him.

GASHED HIS HAND

Edward Gadbois Struck a Circular Saw

Edward Gadbois, employed by Contractor Boyler in St. Louis' hall, had the inevitable experience with a circular saw this morning. He was sawing a board on a circular saw and when he reached the end he forgot to remove his hand and received a four-inch gash in the palm of his right hand, severing an artery. He was taken to Sparks' drug store and from there removed to St. John's hospital in the ambulance. He resides at 308 West Sixth street.

REAL ESTATE SALES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 23, 1904.

LOWELL.

Florence Hildreth Nesmith to Simeon Lagasse, land on Dalton street, $1.

John C. Bennett, et al., executors to John McCashin, land with buildings on D street, $1500.

Hiram Whitney to Samuel Levenson, land with buildings on Howard street, $3200.

Bridget Connors to Hannah T. McCarthy et al., land with buildings on Cross street, $1.

John G. Hedman to Theresa Marren, land with buildings on Burlington avenue, $1.

Helen M. Lawton to Michael O'Flavahan, land with buildings on Ford street, $1.

BILLERICA.

Alice B. Hall to George H. Hall, land on Andover road, $1.

Nathaniel H. Reed, et al., executors to Sears J. Cook, lot of land, $1.

William W. Duncan, administrator, to Laura Hubbard, the Mary A. Duran estate, $1960.

WESTFORD.

Augusta A. Hapgood to Warren Berry, land in Westford and Carlisle, $1950.

CARLISLE.

Benjamin F. Blaisdell, et al, to Arthur F. Blanchard, the Heald wood lot, $1.

Herbert Henry Darling, guardian to Arthur F. Blanchard, wood lot, $918.

CHELMSFORD.

Emma E. Varnum to Lizzie J. Sheldon, land at Golden Cove brook, $1.

TYNGSBORO.

Aleah S. Baker and George F. Stiles to W. Eugene Ellis, the Monty farm, $1.

Julia Rousain to Rosina R. Chase, land near Willow Dale, $450.

DRACUT.

John J. Hiland to Peter and Ann McNara, land on Mammoth road, $1.

Henry C. Varnum to Charles A. Foye, lot of land, $200.

J. R. J. and D. H. Varnum to J. F. Kahler, lot of land at Mt. Pleasant, $1.

RED HOT MEETING

Held in Guard Room at Police Station

FEW BREAKS IN POLICE RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Strong Arm Tactics Used a Week Ago

One of the liveliest meetings in the history of the Police Relief association was held in the guard room at the police station this afternoon. There were motions, counter-motions, threats and all of the other fixings that go to make a meeting red hot.

It will be remembered that what was termed a "snap meeting" was held a week ago while the president and the secretary were in Cambridge attending the superior criminal court at that place. It was alleged that strong arm tactics were resorted to and Mr. Hickson who sought to adjourn the meeting for one or two weeks withdrew, disgusted and defeated.

When Mr. Hickson first appeared in the guard room on the day of the last meeting he was going to adjourn without appointing temporary officers, but the others wouldn't stand for that and the result was that Lieut. Donaldson was made temporary chairman and P. J. Frawley temporary secretary. As soon as this was done Mr. Hickson moved to adjourn and his motion was snowed under. This did not please Mr. Hickson and he left the room in anything but the best of humor.

The "gang" then proceeded to do business and added a few new names to the list of directors. The first startling announcement made today was to the effect that the secretary's report of the last meeting had been stolen and at one time it looked as if one man would be searched for the records, but upon consulting a lawyer who happened in the thought was abandoned.

The first bomb thrown at the meeting this afternoon was by Inspector Charles Lallamme, who moved that because of inside disturbances in the association that said association disband and that the money in the treasury be divided among the members, it being so near Christmas. Charlie's motion met with more or less favor, but one of the parliamentarians on the other side was not slow to state that Charlie's motion was as unconstitutional as it was inconsistent. Something was said about the French vote and Charlie was on his feet in a minute declaring that he had the French vote solid.

Officer Bumps recommended the arrest of the man who stole the temporary secretary's report of the last meeting.

"The report is here. It was not stolen," said the president, Deputy Supt. Welch.

"Read the records," demanded Mr. Bumps.

Secretary Downey read the records and after a deal of discussion in which ideas flowed freely as water the meeting of a week ago was voted out of commission. The business transacted that day, even though the meeting had been legal, would not stand the parliamentary harpoon because the temporary organization, according to the temporary secretary's report, had not been made permanent.

While the outsider could not detect any other influence at work except the feeling occasioned by the difference of opinion relative to the meetings it was rumored that a certain feeling emanating from the Wonders and Connemaras had crept in. This report was stoutly denied by all parties concerned.

During the proceedings this afternoon Mr. Hickson was called upon for a speech but Mr. Hickson was not present. The president stated that Mr. Hickson was at home.

"He should be here to take up the loose threads and to tell us himself just what happened at the meeting a week ago up to the time that he left," said Officer Holland.

"There are no loose threads to take up," said the president. "Everything is lovely and there is no reason why we shouldn't enjoy smooth sailing and elect officers without further argument or discussion." The meeting was still in session at the time of going to press.

FUNERAL SERVICE

OVER THE REMAINS OF LATE BISHOP PHELAN.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 23—The funeral services over the body of Bishop Phelan of the Pittsburg diocese of the Roman Catholic church were held today. Pontifical requiem mass was celebrated by Bishop Canevin, after which absolution was given by five bishops, individually. At the grave in St. Mary's cemetery, the services consisted of the ritual for the burial of a bishop and the blessing of the grave by Bishop Canevin, assisted by the officers of the mass.

Many high dignitaries of the church were present from different parts of the country.

FORMER BANK PRESIDENT ACCUSED OF ARSON.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The grand jury today returned two indictments against Isaac N. Perry, former president of the National bank of North America, charging him with arson in connection with the burning of the plant of the Chicago car and locomotive works at Hegewisch, Ill. He was president of the locomotive company, which was in financial difficulties. The works were heavily insured. Mr. Perry was acquitted on a preliminary examination before a justice of the peace. An accusation against him, however, was subsequently carried before the grand jury.

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PLENTY OF WATER

This City Has No Fear of Drought

THOUGH LAWRENCE IS BADLY OFF

Drough Does Not Affect Our Well Supply

"Once more the city of Lowell has reason to be satisfied with its driven well system," said Supt. Thomas at city hall this morning when discussing the drought now prevalent throughout New England.

The city of Lawrence which gets its water supply from the Merrimack river is very short of water and is looking to Andover for assistance. Lowell, with its well supply, is inaffected by the drought and has plenty of water, with one entire plant not working. A drought in the surface does not appear to effect the well supply in the least.

15 CASES

OF DIPHTHERIA REPORTED TO BOARD OF HEALTH.

There are 15 cases of diphtheria in the city at the present time according to the health department.

Fred C. Church had the insurance on the fire at A. G. Thompson's house in South street last night.

Do you know "The Song of 60 Years?"

There are four verses. Verse 1. Ayer's Hair Vigor makes the hair grow. Verse 2. Ayer's Hair Vigor stops falling hair. Verse 3. Ayer's Hair Vigor cures dandruff. Verse 4. Ayer's Hair Vigor always restores color to gray hair. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

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6 O'CLOCK

WILD WEST BOYS

Strangled and Robbed Their Grandmother

THEY WERE CAUGHT BY THE POLICE

Had Resolved Never to Part or Marry

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Wearing cartridge belts and having their pockets stuffed with dime novels, two boys have been arrested in Harlem on charges of feloniously attacking their grandmother, strangling her into unconsciousness and then robbing her of jewelry and money amounting to more than $250.

The boys are Charles W. Upton, 16 years old and his cousin, Frederick McDermott, who gave his home as Oyster Bay.

According to the police, the lads called upon their grandfather, informed him that he was wanted down town on important business and after his departure performed their desperate deed. While the grandmother was cooking a lunch for them one is said to have taken up a position at the outer door while the other procured all the valuables and money in sight. The old lady detected him and gave chase when she was thrown down and choked into unconsciousness.

Several pawn tickets were found on the youths, together with a signed resolution that they would never part and that neither should marry.

NO INJUNCTION

NEEDED TO KEEP THIS MAN FROM HIS WIFE.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Married just one month, Mrs. Alice M. Varnell who was a widow at her last marriage, appeared in court yesterday at Lynn, against her husband, George M. Varnell. She had her husband arrested on a charge of threatening her life, and told Judge Berry she was afraid he would kill her.

"This man married me for life insurance money, which I obtained on the death of my first husband," said Mrs. Varnell. "When he married me he threw up his job, refused to work, and I had to support him and pay the running expenses of the house. In one month I have paid out $700, and I want him to keep away from me."

Varnell is a mild-mannered man of 22, and seemed to be amused at what his wife had said about him. He claimed that she talked incessantly and would not even let him sleep. When Judge Berry asked him if he would keep away from his wife, he said:

"You bet your life I will. You don't have to grant an injunction to make me keep away from her!"

Judge Berry then placed the case on file.

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FALL RIVER FIGHT

There is No Prospect of a Merry Christmas

FALL RIVER, Dec. 23.—Labor leaders say they expect a proposition from the manufacturers within the course of a few days. They claim that there is nothing more for them to do, but wait until the mill men offer assurances of some kind that the unbearable conditions that existed in the mills last July shall not confront the operatives when they return to work.

Unless the manufacturers now take the initiative and attempt to somewhat heal the antagonisms that exist, the strike will be carried along and it will be months before the mills can run at a profit as a large portion of the operatives can be supported by the contributions coming in and thus keep the factories in a crippled condition.

It is claimed by the labor leaders that the mills are producing very little cloth that is first quality and that the departments are so unbalanced that the factories are losing thousands of dollars each week.

A movement is on foot to secure a mass meeting of strike holders and the free use of a hall has been offered.

If no proposition is forthcoming, from the manufacturers it is not improbable that the strike will change from a general strike to one of five or six mills and the factories selected will probably be those who are not receiving strike benefits.

The Carders Association paid double benefits today and several families drew as high as $24. All of the unions have or will pay off this week in anticipation of Christmas. The mills claim small gains and look for a large increase in help after the holidays.

BOX WORKS BURNED

THE LOSS IS PLACED AT TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

WESTFIELD, Mass., Dec. 23.—Part of the Bryant box works here was destroyed by fire today, early, and the Westfield Textile company's plant near by was somewhat damaged.

The total loss is placed at $10,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

BANK WILL CLOSE

VOTE WAS TAKEN BY DIRECTORS.

OXFORD, Mass., Dec. 23.—The directors of the Oxford National bank have decided to close the institution on Jan. 2 and Allen Joslin and Samuel C. Willis have been appointed liquidators. The Oxford bank was incorporated in 1823 and became a national bank in 1864. Its charter expires on Jan. 2 and as the tendency of business men is to do their banking in Worcester, it was decided to go out of business. It is not probable that a new bank will be started.

A LITTLE JAP

TOSSED OVER THE POLICE "STRONG MEN"

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—"Ajax" Whitman, "strong man" of the police force, went down in ignominious defeat yesterday before the science of jiu-jitsu in a trial at police headquarters, with Higashi, 120-pound Japanese. The trials had been arranged by Commissioner McAdoo, who has in mind the introduction of the game in the department. Higashi is only 5 feet 3 inches in height.

Besides Whitman, four other policemen had been ordered to come to headquarters for trial. They were John J. Flanagan, champion weight thrower of the world, who weighs 220 pounds; Adam Streubel, a distance runner and all round athlete, who weighs 160 pounds; John F. McGinty, former welterweight amateur champion boxer of the country, who weighs 200 pounds, and Charles Kammer, former amateur middleweight champion boxer, who weighs 200 pounds.

"Ajax" was thrown twice flat on his back, and finally was held in such a grip that his tongue protruded from his mouth and his face became purple. He then wanted to show the Japanese some of the tricks that he knew about wrestling, but Higashi replied that if he closed with him in real earnest he would break some of the policeman's bones. Inspector Cortwright ordered "Ajax" to quit and Policeman Kammer took his place. He was thrown over Higashi's head a dozen times in as many minutes by different holds. None of the other men were called upon.

VICTIMS DISCHARGED

HAVE RECOVERED FROM EFFECTS OF COAL GAS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—All the 27 persons who were overcome by coal gas in a tenement house in the lower section of the city early today have been discharged from the hospital. The lower part of the tenement was used as a Turkish bath establishment and the gas escaped from the furnace used in the baths. More than 100 persons, mostly Russian Jews, were sleeping in the building when awakened by a policeman who detected the odor of gas.

NEW LEGISLATION

TO GOVERN THE OPERATION OF RAILWAYS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The need of new national legislation governing the operation of railways will be considered by a special committee of five members of the Chicago Shippers' association, just appointed by President A. C. Bartlett, with power to represent the association in conference with committees from kindred organizations. The committee will hold its first meeting next Tuesday. Resolutions passed by the board of directors recite that "the transportation question is one of such and far reaching importance as to command our earnest and immediate consideration and action. We endorse President Roosevelt's course in bringing the subject to the attention of congress to bring about equitable relations between shipping and transportation interests with justice to both."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CREMATOR ORDER

Will be Signed by Mayor Howe

Mayor Howe announced to a reporter of The Sun otday that he will sign the $10,000 loan order for a cremator for the health department. "I think the cremator is a necessity," said Mayor Howe, "for we must have some place to burn up the dead animals of the city, together with the refuse from our three hospitals."

Agent Knapp of the health department is not decided as to the site for the new cremator. He would like to have it erected at the city yard which is an ideal location, if there would be no objection. Agent Knapp states that the new cremator would be odorless and would be kept clean.

THE GREATEST EVER

STEAM ROADS IN CONNECTICUT EARNED $50,183,984.87.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 23.—The gross earnings of the steam roads of Connecticut in the year ending June 30, 1904 were the greatest in the history of the state. They amounted to $50,183,984.87 showing an increase of $1,300,299.15 over the previous year.

This statement is made in the fifty second annual report of the railroad commissioners which was submitted to Governor Chamberlain today.

The increase occurred during the last six months of the year while from January to June 30 there was a marked decrease in earnings.

Of the foregoing amount $48,282,999.20 was earned by the N. Y., N. H. and H. railroad company; $1,093,638.10 by the New London Northern railroad company; $854,817.77 by the Central New England railway company, and $15,029.60 by the South Manchester railroad company, each company showing an increase over the earnings of the previous year. The passenger departments contributed $23,961,983.11 and the freight departments $25,760,613.10 to this result. The net earnings were $18,442,191.88, being $929,788.92 more than last year. There has been a decrease of 602,638 in the number of passengers carried and an increase of 138,155 in the tons of freight handled.

The number of passengers carried during the year was 64,315,374 and the passenger revenue was $23,059,925.03. The freight traffic amounted to $24,974,926, a gain of $825,572 over that of the previous year.

The greater number of those killed in railroad accidents were trespassers 101. Of the passengers three were killed and 42 were injured. The total injured was 657. The number of persons injured at grade crossings or highways was 31, eight more than last year. The financial statement of steam railroads shows the capital stock issued by the companies to be $128,700,650, an increase of $9,102,081.62. The N. Y., N. H. and H. railroad company has issued $9,102,700 of additional stock during the year.

The amount of stock issued by the various companies per mile of road owned is $881,232.08. The amount held in the state of Connecticut is $98,712,775 and the number of stockholders in Connecticut is 4623. The total amount paid for taxes was $2,321,852.58 of which the state of Connecticut received $1,023,172.36. The entire amount paid is slightly in excess of 5 per cent. of the gross earnings.

The gross earnings of the street railroads were $4,984,151.46 being $420,580.17 more than for the preceding year.

The number of persons injured in the operation of the street railways during the past year was 283, of which number 23 were killed. The number of passengers injured was 212, of whom four were killed; the number of employes injured 20 of whom two were killed, and the number of other persons injured 151, of whom 17 were killed.

ENTRIES NOT CLOSED.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—It developed today upon investigation that the list of American entries for the trans-Atlantic yacht race next year published by the Lokal Anzeiger in a dispatch from Kiel yesterday, although purporting to be official was only the impression which the Imperial yacht club's officials derived from American letters. The entries will not be officially announced until they are closed.

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CROWN PRINCESS

HAS PROBABLY FORFEITED ALLOWANCE OF $7500.

DRESDEN, Saxony, Dec. 23.—Countess Montignoso (formerly the crown princess Louise and divorced wife of King Frederick Augustus) by coming to Dresden and trying to see her children yesterday has probably forfeited her allowance of $7500, one of the conditions which was that she should not set foot on German soil. This condition however may not be enforced as popular sympathy with the countess is so strong already that the court will avoid anything giving the impression of punishing the countess for her natural womanly feeling. The version of the countess misadventure commonly believed in the Kingdom of Saxony is that she is guiltless of actual wrong doing and is the victim of an intrigue of the centre party which is described as using unscrupulous means to prevent a strong liberal from becoming queen. The circumstances of the countess leaving the court are so overlaid with fiction that the truth probably will be unknown to the present generation of Saxons.

SAILOR LOST

MEMBER OF CREW FELL OVERBOARD.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 23.—The schooner Squant, Capt. Daniel McDonald, which arrived here from a halibut trip today reported the loss of Wm. Atkins, one of the crew. Atkins was reefing the main-sail on Wednesday afternoon when he fell overboard. It is believed he was attacked by heart disease. His body was recovered, being kept afloat by the air going under his oiled clothing. He was 35 years old and a widower. He was born in Guysboro, N. S., where he leaves four children.

FOG DISAPPEARED

LONDON'S DAY IS BRIGHT ONCE MORE.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The fog in London practically disappeared this afternoon before a western breeze. Reports from the coasts show a continuance of the dislocation of traffic. According to a telegram from Liverpool at 10 o'clock this morning, the White Star line steamers Oceanic and Cedric were still fog-bound in the Mersey.

BISHOP O'CONNELL

RECEIVED IN PRIVATE AUDIENCE BY THE POPE.

ROME, Dec. 23.—The pope today received in private audience the Rt. Rev. W. H. O'Connell, bishop of Portland, Me.

ADMIRAL DAVIS

MAKING CALLS ON THE CABINET OFFICERS.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Rear Admiral Davis, the American member of the international commission of inquiry into the North sea incident, today continued making calls on cabinet officers which he interrupted yesterday. Admiral Campion received and entertained Admiral Davis at the ministry of marine, owing to the absence of Marine Minister Pelletan, who was attending a meeting of the council of ministers.

WILL BUILD HOSPITAL SHIP.

VALETTA, Island of Malta, Dec. 2.—H. T. Clapp, who has completed arrangements to build a hospital ship at his own expense at St. Julian (San Gulliano) a village and bay of this island, one and a half miles north of Valetta, is an American, who has been residing at Malta for some time past.

NEW BRITISH STEAMER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The new British steamer Borderer arrived today from Greenock, Scotland, direct from the builders' yards. The Borderer is an up to date cargo steamer with all the modern appliances of her class and was built by Russell & Co. of Glasgow. Her tonnage is 4372 gross and 2835 net. Her owner is James Little of Glasgow. The Borderer will load for Australia under charter.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Cotton futures opened firm. Dec., 7.15 bid; Jan., 7.22; Feb., 7.28 bid; March, 7.40; April, 7.48; May, 7.52; June, 7.60 bid; July, 7.66; Aug., 7.65 a 7.67; Sept., 7.71; Oct., 7.70 a 7.72.

SCHOONER FLOATED.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 23.—The Mahone Bay fishing schooner Deta M. which recently went ashore at Port Dufferin was pulled afloat today by the steamer Strathcona. The Strathcona left here last night.

ALLEGED MURDERER DEAD.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Fred Jones, the alleged murderer of Constable Wm. O. Gray and Mrs. Abbie Goodrich at Charlottesville on Wednesday, died in the Lockport jail early today from a self-inflicted wound.

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DECREE OF INJUNCTION IS ALLOWED

Case Has Been Appealed to Supreme Court

City Solicitor Hogan was notified today by Assistant Clerk Halliday of the superior court to the effect that the decree of injunction entered by him recently against A. Archambault has been allowed by the court and Mr. Archambault is allowed until Dec. 31, 1904, to remove his horses from the stable over which the controversy arose.

Francis W. Qua, who appears for Mr. Archambault, has taken an appeal to the supreme court and it will be argued in January.

$369,000 SUIT

BEGUN AGAINST AMERICAN LINSEED OIL COMPANY.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Suit involving over $369,000 has been begun by Max Whitney, trustee in bankruptcy of the National Linseed Oil Company against the American Linseed Oil Company and the Central Trust Company of New York. The action was begun in the United States district court.

Whitney charges that the American Company holds two agreements releasing it from payment of $286,000 owed the National Company. He declares these are fraudulent and wants them set aside.

The court is asked also to order the Central Trust Company to turn over $15,976 of preferred and also common stock valued at $67,322 to the National Company.

SUGAR REBATE CASE

WILL BE RE-OPENED, IT IS REPORTED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—It is stated that the famous sugar duty rebate case recently decided against the importers by the supreme court is to be reopened. This was a test case and had been fought through all the courts, occupying seven years in reaching a final ruling.

The new plan is to attack the constitutionality of the treasury department's practice, which, the importers say, amounts to the assumption of a right to increase the duty at will. The case will go first to the board of United States general appraisers, then to the circuit court and finally to the supreme court of the United States.

CITY HALL NOTES

Alderman-elect Thomas F. Braden has gone to his old home in Frontenacville, N. Y., for Christmas.

Expressions of sorrow at the death of Ex-Superintendent Conlon were heard on all sides in city hall this morning, for the ex-superintendent was well liked while in office.

Mayor-elect Casey called on Mayor Howe this forenoon and the two had a pleasant chat together.

A good story is being told at the expense of Janitor Billy Delmange, who recently took a liking to City Messenger Patten's typewriter and can now pound out a word a minute.

The other morning a slick-looking stranger carrying a typewriter and a dress suit case entered the building and approaching Officer "Tom" Sanborn said: "Officer, I'm dealing in typewriters and I have the best thing on earth in that line. I want you to tell me where I can find the most expert typewriter in this building."

"You go right upstairs to the city messenger's office and call for William Delmage. He's the champion typewriter here," quickly responded Officer Sanborn. The drummer thanked him profusely and rushed up stairs, where he cornered the unsuspecting Delmage and tayked him nearly blind on typewriters and its was fully half an hour before Billy could explain that he knew absolutely nothing about typewriters.

FREIGHT FOR JAPAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—When the steamer Mongolia sails from this port, next Tuesday, she will carry 18,600 tons of cargo, 15,000 tons of which will be consigned to Japan. Most of the freight is for Japan and consists of materials designated as contraband by the Russian government. The boat will carry 1000 tons of pig iron, together with a large quantity of drugs, steel, machinery, foodstuffs, leather and cotton.

The steamer Ellerick also will carry 4500 tons of overland freight for Yokohama.

TRADE MARKS REGULATIONS.

PEKIN, Dec. 23.—In consequence of representations on the part of the German, Austrian, French, Italian and British ministers the Chinese authorities have undertaken to discuss the proposed amendments to the trade marks regulations and in the meantime not to register trade marks until all the powers are completely agreed on the subject.

SKATES and SLEDS

Make the children happy by giving them a Christmas present of a sled or a pair of our celebrated skates, every one is a racer, the coasting was never better and the ice is safe for skating. We keep all the best makes at lowest prices and we also have a line of

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FOR GRAND JURY

Defendants in Serious Assault Case Held

In police court today, Stavous Tambacologos and John Adonakis were charged with assault with a knife on Peter Tavoulares and assault and battery on Harris Tavoulares. George Benaroos was charged with assault and battery on Peter and Harris Tavoulares. The trouble occurred in the Tremont & Suffolk mills on the forenoon of December 6, at which time, it was alleged, the defendants assaulted the complainants.

The assault was a serious one. Peter Tavoulares was sent to the hospital and was unconscious when he arrived there. He was cut in the head and about the body.

D. J. Donahue appeared for the defendants today and Corporation Officer Major Noyes for the commonwealth. No defence was offered and the defendants were ordered in $400 each for the grand jury.

PROF. FRED BOND

DID NOT GIVE OUT STORY ON SHEA'S SUPPOSED DEATH.

Prof. Bond called at The Sun office today to inquire why he was made responsible for the article in Wednesday's paper in relation to the supposed death of Michael Shea, a member of his choir in South Lawrence. In justice to Mr. Bond, it should be stated that he had nothing whatever to do with the article, although the postal card which he received from Lawrence announcing Shea's death and the consequent ordering of flowers at McManmon's to be sent to Lawrence, formed the clue upon which a Sun reporter based the story.

The postal card received by Mr. Bond read as follows:

Lawrence, Mass, Dec. 19, 1904.

Mr. Bond:

Michael Shea died Monday morning about 10 a. m.

Yours,
M. J. FARRISEY.

On Tuesday evening Mr. Bond called at the house and found that the young man was alive but he says while others were misled as well as he, and some had even ordered flowers, there was no such thing as a wake scene with flowers, lighted candles and casket. The Sun's story was obtained through a local florist and by telephone from Lawrence.

As Mr. Bond holds the young man in high esteem he regrets the publicity given the matter. Shea is still alive.

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SPECIAL MEETING

OF ALDERMEN CALLED FOR THIS AFTERNOON.

Mayor Howe this morning called a special meeting of the board of aldermen for this afternoon to canvass the election returns as revised by the recount.

SCHOONER GROUNDED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—The schooner Frank W. McCullough with lumber bound for Patchogue, L. I., from Georgetown, S. C., has grounded on Fire Island bar. The Fire Island and Oak Island life saving crews have gone to her assistance.

William H. Saunders is confined to his home in Hurd street by illness.

LADIES! LADIES!

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Solid Gold Rings, our own make, for ladies or gentlemen, $2.00 to $12.00
Gilt Clocks.....95c to $8.00
Best Alarm Clocks.....75c
Kitchen Clocks, eight-day and alarm, best make, only.....$2.98

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LATEST

SHE IS HAUNTED

Jane Toppan's Last Days Most Miserable

TAUNTON, Dec. 23—Believing the hospital authorities in league to poison her, and crying out that the spirits of those who fell victims to her maniacal crimes continually haunt her bedside, Jane Toppan, the insane murderess, who two years ago shocked the commonwealth by a series of unprecedented poisonings, is said to be awaiting, in mental agony, a fast approaching death at the Taunton State Hospital for the insane, where she has been incarcerated since her conviction.

A victim of hallucinations and horrible fancies born of a crime-diseased brain, the famous criminal nears an end more terrible than that of the unfortunate people whom she poisoned.

While no official statement has been given out by the hospital authorities, who have made it their policy not to discuss the case, it is known that Jane Toppan has been growing steadily worse of late and has refused all nourishment for some time past, believing the food to be poisoned, and the doctors have been obliged to resort to artificial means to keep her alive.

She is greatly emaciated and refuses even to recognize her guardian, James S. Murphy, whom she believes is in league with the doctors to poison her.

Her approaching death is accompanied by acute mental suffering.

She believes herself to be haunted by the spirits of her victims and calls constantly upon the doctors to save her from their vengeance.

Her cries for protection against those whom she believes haunt her bedside have startled the other inmates of the asylum, and it is said that she has been removed to a remote ward.

In spite of her weakened condition, it is believed that she has lost none of her old-time cunning, and she is watched most carefully. Neither Dr. Goss nor the superintendent of the hospital will discuss the case, and the immediate condition of the patient is kept secret; but it is thought that the nervous strain she is under will result in death within a short period.

NEW ASSOCIATION

TO PROMOTE WELFARE OF PEOPLE OF NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A society designed to promote the welfare of the people of New York and to engender a lively sense of civic obligation, regardless of political affiliations and social conditions, has just been organized under the name of the Association for Public Duty. It is patterned after societies with similar objects which have in recent years spread throughout France.

Nothing of the sort, say its founders has ever before been attempted in America.

They maintain that 90 per cent. of the people of this country are practically helpless so far as concerns their ability to protect and advance their own individual interests and it is this proportion of the community which the association aims to assist.

The association intends to establish headquarters where lectures and other literature may be published and disseminated; to cause investigations to be made into cases of neglect or abuse of the laws and to take such other actions as may be deemed necessary.

Well known citizens make up the list of officers which is headed by Theodore Sutro as president.

Less Than $1.00

Many pretty presents at less than $1.00 in the perfume and candy line. Merry Christmas boxes for the children, one with two bottles of toilet water for 10c, another with 4 cute bottles of Woodworth's perfumes at 25. A dainty basket with 2 bottles of toilet water at 29c that would be cheap at 50c. A beautiful white and gold box with 3 cakes of highly perfumed toilet soap and 2 bottles of toilet water for 59c. A 50c bottle imported violet water for 29c. Howard's perfumes, all odors, 25c an ounce, equal to 50c goods elsewhere. Howard, the Druggist, 197 Central street. The only druggist in the city to close Monday, Dec. 26th, afternoon and night.

GOOD NO. 7 Household kitchen range for sale cheap. Call 1099 Bridge st.

DESERTED WIFE

SKINNER APPEALED FROM A JAIL SENTENCE.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 23.—Having deserted his young wife and left her to the care of friends here, Edgar G. Skinner, a young man of this city, was living with another woman in Maynard when arrested Wednesday afternoon by Inspector Barker. In district court yesterday he was charged with non-support of his wife and minor child, and pleaded guilty.

The wife testified that he was arraigned in court a year ago for a similar offence and was allowed to go on probation. No sooner had the term of probation expired than he left her. Since then she was ill and had to go to the hospital. Her child was also sick and had to be taken care of at a foundling asylum. The young husband had done nothing for her support for months, she said. Skinner said he had. Inspector Barker testified to making the arrest in Maynard, where he found Skinner had been living two months with another woman, under the names of Mr. and Mrs. George Jones. Skinner was making $15 a week in a dentist's office.

Judge McDonough sentenced Skinner to the house of correction for six months. He appealed, and surety was ordered in $500. Yesterday noon a second warrant, alleging non-support for another period, was served on Skinner.

WEEKLY REHEARSAL

OF M. T. I. SINGING CLUB HELD.

The regular weekly rehearsal of the M. T. I. singing club was held last evening in the main hall of the institute's quarters and the work of the club was finely done. A large attendance of members showed that the interest in the club is intense, a fact which Director Murphy is highly pleased with.

A rehearsal of the dramatic club for the comedy drama "The Wife" to be presented on February 8th was held Wednesday evening, and for the second time the young ladies and gentlemen who are to participate in the play showed up excellently.

MARSHAL KILLED

MAYOR SANDERS IS AMONG THE PRISONERS.

CLEVELAND, Miss., Dec. 23.—Albert Thomas, the city marshal of Merigold, has been killed by Robert Bess, a well known young man. Seven men have been lodged in jail at Merigold for alleged connection with the crime. Mayor Sanders is included among the prisoners. What caused the tragedy is unknown.

AN ELOPEMENT

THEN THE YOUNG PEOPLE WERE FORGIVEN.

WARREN, R. I., Dec. 23.—This town learned yesterday of a romance and an elopement. The bride was Miss Marion Vaughn Bowen, a student at the Rhode Island school of design, and the groom was Charles R. Maxfield, a clerk in Arnold W. Essex's wall paper store in Providence. Miss Bowen is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth S. Bowen, her father being dead. She is but 18 years old and her husband is six years her senior. The young people became engaged last summer, but Mrs. Bowen had no idea that marriage was contemplated until Marion had finished her course in the school of design, and was at least three years older. The young people thought differently, however, and went to Attleboro yesterday, where they were married. They returned to Warren on the train Marion usually came on in the late afternoon, each going to his and her home. Marion and Mrs. Bowen had tea, and when the table was cleared Marion told her mother of the trip to Attleboro and of the wedding. The young couple were forgiven, they passed the night at the residence of the groom's parents, and this morning started on a wedding journey, Boston being the first place they visited.

Mrs. Maxfield is a very pretty and vivacious woman. She was one of the leaders in the strike begun at the Warren high school last spring to compel the school board to return to the daily one-session system, which had been in force for years. The two families are on the best of neighborly terms, and the young people have been faithful lovers since early childhood.

A DIFFERENT MAN.

The James Reynolds who appeared in police court last Friday is not the James Reynolds who resides on Hastings street.

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NAN COLLAPSED

Continued.

aisle, her father, half turning in his chair, gazed intently upon their faces. As he turned back and fumbled nervously a paper which lay upon the table his hands shook as if with palsy and it seemed apparent that he saw little to arouse hope in the faces of the jurors. A moment later Nan Patterson, gowned entirely in black, and with a heavy veil covering her features walked with a firm, strong step to the chair beside her father. As she sat down, she placed one arm across her father's shoulder. With the other she raised her veil and kissed the old man in a very pretty, affectionate way.

The foreman of the jury told Judge Davis that he did not think the jury would be able to reach a verdict and he complained that several of his associates were not susceptible to argument. The judge told them to reach a verdict if they could do so conscientiously. The jury then retired.

TERRIBLE STRAIN.

Of the two the father showed in a far greater degree the strain under which they had been for many hours and for a time the girl turned comforter. There was scarcely a moment's delay when the usual question was put to the jury. The foreman replied that no decision had been reached. Justice Davis said that under almost any other circumstances he would discharge the jury at that point without further delay, but this case he considered one of great importance. Much time had been consumed in the trial and he felt that it was only fair to the defendant and to the state that every effort should be made by this jury to reach an agreement of some kind. He would not under any circumstances suggest that any one of the men holding an opinion he believed to be just should change that opinion, but at the same time, he believed it would be advisable for the jurors to return to their room and if necessary to review the evidence of the case and to discuss any attempt to decide points upon which their contention was based. In replying the foreman said that he was convinced that an agreement was impossible. All the evidence in the case had been carefully considered and thoroughly discussed and he was convinced that the opinions of the jurors had been firmly fixed. He added that the jurors desired to do everything in their power to reach an agreement and upon the suggestion of the judge they would retire and give the matter further consideration, but at the same time he was certain that it would be a fruitless task

When Miss Patterson raised her veil, her face was flushed and as she waited for the final word of the jury the color came and went in rapid succession.

Every moment her eyes were fixed intently upon the jurors but her gaze was not returned.

A deadly pallor spread over her face when she bent towards her father. This evidence of weakness was apparent for only a moment, however and from that time until a court officer touched her on the shoulder, she sat upright, her lips firmly compressed and gazing straight into the faces of the 12 men in the jury box. Then she arose and with a firm step returned to the little pen above the court room to wait the result of the jury's further consideration.

When the jury returned for the second time to the court room at 12.45 p. m. there was a delay of a few minutes during the roll call, during which the defendant's father came in and sat down beside her. The jury and defendant were then requested to stand, which they did. The girl was frightfully pale and her lips twitched convulsively. The self control of yesterday was gone.

The clerk said: "Has the jury agreed upon a verdict?"

"We have not," answered Foreman Harmer.

The jury as well as the prisoner thereupon were seated.

Justice Davis addressed the jury at this point, and said:

"You have done all that was expected of you in this case. You have been together all night and given it your careful and conscientious consideration and now I understand there is no possibility of reaching a decision?"

"There is no possibility of our reaching a verdict," replied the foreman.

"I am compelled to excuse you from further attendance," replied the justice.

Justice Davis then discharged the jury.

It was 24 hours almost to a minute after the jury was sent out yesterday that word was sent to Justice Davis that it was ready to make its final report. The attorneys were hurriedly summoned and Miss Patterson's father, who had been strolling around the corridors, was notified that the jury was about to return. He had scarcely taken his seat when the jury filed slowly down the aisle and took their places in the jury box. From the expression of their faces it was apparent that their determination had not been altered in the brief half hour that had elapsed since their foreman informed the court that an agreement was practically impossible.

A moment later Miss Patterson walked rapidly down the aisle and quickly sank into her seat at her father's side. In her face there was little to indicate that any hope of acquittal remained with her. Her clenched hands rested firmly upon the table and her piercing gaze was fixed upon the foreman as the customary questions were asked by the clerk. When the reply was given that no decision had been reached and that there was absolutely no hope of a verdict being agreed upon the defendant for the first time during her long suspense gave way completely to her feelings. She threw her arms around her father's neck and burying her head on his shoulder sobbed like a child.

Gently the old man returned the embrace and with "Don't worry, little girl. It will come out all right," he urged her to cheer up. A moment later she had gained her composure and with flushed face and down-cast eyes awaited the final word of the court. Before discharging the jury Justice Davis questioned the foreman at length as to the advisability of further consideration of the evidence. He was assured that such a step would be useless and thereupon after thanking them for the services they had rendered, he informed them that they were at liberty to go. The court remanded the prisoner for the time being and she was led back once more across the bridge of sighs to the cell in the Tombs prison.

Nan Patterson collapsed again while she was being taken across the bridge of sighs. It was said she was in a serious condition for the time being. She was revived sufficiently to be taken to her cell where she again collapsed, the prison surgeon was called to attend her and her father was sent for. When he arrived she did not seem to recognize him. Two women were sent for and are now attending the girl.

Justice Davis, after his consultation with the foreman of the jury said:

"I have been informed that the jury stood six for acquittal and six for conviction. As to how the six for conviction stood, as regards the degrees of crime, I was not informed nor can I conscientiously seek information on the subject."

Foreman Harmer said:

"I would like to give you more information, but prior to our coming into court this morning, we adopted a resolution not to make public what transpired in the jury room during the long deliberation."

"How many ballots were there?"

"We only took one ballot, but then you know that we didn't proceed in that way. We found there was such a vast difference of opinion among us that we spent the remainder of the time in argument."

MISS PATTERSON

COLLAPSED IN HER CELL WHILE AWAITING A VERDICT.

This morning Nan Patterson asked for news from the jury. She became hysterical while waiting for an answer and the tombs warden went to see her. He assured her that there was no news and that she could not possibly hear anything until it was announced in the court room before her. Instead of reassuring her, this news made her worse and she had a severe attack of hysteria. "How can I ever face those dreadful 12 men again?" the warden said she repeatedly cried, the fear of going back to the court overshadowing everything else.

Dr. Levin, the tombs physician, was sent for in a hurry and prescribed for her. About this time her father arrived at the tombs. Owing to her state of collapse he was allowed to go up to see her and with his presence and the efforts of the physician, she improved in a very short time. As soon as she was somewhat composed she was led across the bridge of sighs to the criminal court building. She was taken to the "pen" in the court building to wait until a verdict had been reached or some conclusion had been arrived at.

ALL NIGHT SESSION

BUT THE JURY COULD NOT REACH DECISION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The jury in the Nan Patterson case was locked up at 11.20 last night, not having reached a verdict. At 11 o'clock the announcement came from the jury room that no decision had been arrived at and immediately following came a statement that Judge Davis would give the jury another half hour before locking them up.

The hope of a verdict was dispelled, however, when a few minutes before 11.30 Captain Lynch of the court squad said that "it was all off," and the jury would be locked up for the night.

Miss Patterson heard the news in the "pen" and it was so unexpected to her that she came near to collapse.

It was understood that the jury would continue consideration of the case in the small jury room containing only a few small tables and chairs, and the jurors had no opportunity to sleep unless they could nap in the small wooden chairs.

As soon as the jury was locked up for the night, Miss Patterson bade her father a tearful farewell and was escorted from the "pen" in the court building to her cell in the Tombs.

The girl, who showed such courage throughout the long trial, is almost a nervous wreck. The great strength she formerly evidenced has failed and she repeatedly exclaimed, "Oh, how can those men doubt my word?"

There will be no opportunity of hearing from the jury again until 10.30 today, the hour fixed by the court for a report from the twelve men who are to decide the fate of the chorus girl.

Immediately after the announcement that the jury was locked up for the night, the officers cleared the corridors of the court building of scores of newspaper men and attorneys who had anxiously awaited the news from the jury.

The latest rumor from the jury room was that three men were holding out against nine who desired to acquit the defendant. It was reported that the three jurors were at odds as to the seriousness of the crime. One juror is said to be holding out for conviction for murder in the second degree and two others are reported to favor manslaughter in the second degree.

One rumor was so definite that it named a juror who had asked if he might fire the revolver, as the man who is holding out for the conviction of Miss Patterson of murder in the second degree.

Disappointed crowds in the street heard of the locking up of the jury for the night and joined in the wail of the persons who had been privileged to stand in the court building during the deliberations of the jurors. A few women were in the crowd which stood in White street and watched the windows of the jury room until the announcement came that the twelve men must spend the night in deliberation.

"That jury will never agree," was the verdict of scores of men who followed the jury from the court building to a neighboring cafe at 7.30 o'clock for dinner. As they filed back in the jury room after dinner, there was silence throughout the great building.

As the hours dragged on and no report came from the jury room, the crowd in the building and in the street became impatient. At one time a small company of men in the corridor broke into song. Miss Patterson heard this sign of merriment and her nerves are said to have rebelled at the indication that anyone could be gay when a question of such moment was under consideration.

The great interest which the trial of Nan Patterson has attracted was never evidenced in a more pronounced way than yesterday afternoon and evening. Excluded from the corridors of the court building several score of persons stood outside the main entrance in the slush and snow and cold last night waiting for word that the jury had at last agreed.

In the corridors of the building were a hundred newspaper men and women, keeping a constant vigil and picking up here and there the scraps of information which filtered from no one knew where, concerning jury, defendant and attorneys.

Miss Patterson after the jury retired yesterday noon, spent the afternoon and evening between her cell in the Tombs and what is known as the "pen" on the third floor of the court building.

As she was led from the court after the jury retired, she witnessed a marriage ceremony between two prisoners and congratulated them. For a moment her face brightened as though she had forgotten her own troubles, but soon after resumed its look of sad calm. While she was in the Tombs yesterday she opened numerous telegrams and letters from friends and relatives congratulating her upon her defense and expressing the hope that her freedom was near at hand. One of the messages was from her mother, who had been unable to attend the trial.

Last evening after her dinner, she was taken to the "pen" where she was joined by her father, who has been constant in his support of his daughter since she was first accused of the crime.

The abiding faith of the young woman was shown shortly after 6 o'clock last night when she expressed the opinion that the jury would acquit her.

"I almost feel sure I will leave here tonight, for the jury, I think, will not stay out all night." When she said this, her face was tense with nervousness and in her hand was the missive she had just received from her mother."

At 10 o'clock the crowd of morbidly curious people about the court house gathered on the White street side of the building where they could see the little room in which the jury was sitting. This room is on the second floor and though the curtains were drawn, any movement on the inside was plainly silhouetted.

Half of those gathered were women, and for a time the people were quiet. Finally, however, becoming impatient, curious cries were set up, directed at the jurymen, and were continued for a long time.

The jury began its work of considering the evidence about 12.25. At 2 o'clock the twelve men were escorted to a Park Row restaurant for lunch and an hour afterward again took up the case. At 7.30 o'clock court officers again opened the jury room and the men went to dinner. They were a solemn looking lot and during the meal there was little conversation and fewer smiles. It was over an hour later.

Yesterday's proceedings consisted of the charge to the jury by Justice Davis, lasting something over an hour. He outlined the law and then sent the jury away. The judge adjourned his court late in the afternoon, saying that if a verdict was reached before 11 o'clock he would return to the building.

NAN PATTERSON

HAS AN AUNT WHO RESIDES IN LAWRENCE.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Charles Smith of this city is an aunt of Nan Patterson, the New York show girl, who is on trial upon the charge of murdering Caesar Young. Mrs. Smith was seen at her home by a reporter yesterday and expressed herself quite freely upon the subject of her relationship. "I am sorry to say that Nan Patterson is an own niece of mine," said Mrs. Smith, "the daughter of my favorite and best beloved brother. I never saw her, and I don't know as I want to now, and I never heard from her directly except once. She was married to a Mr. Martin when she was about 17 years old, and I sent her a wedding present. She wrote me a note of thanks and that's all the word I ever received from her. She never came here, unless it was with the Floradora company, and if she came then, she had no use for me, so I did not see her.

"I don't believe she ever committed the crime of which she is accused, and I feel sure that she will be acquitted. If she did shoot Young, it was in a drunken quarrel. Her vanity and her pretty face have been responsible for all her troubles. She was the prettiest of all the family of four girls, and when she was quite young her father wrote that 'Nan was the beauty of them all.'

"Her father was in Lawrence some months during 1895, as he was in ill health, and her mother has been at my home three times. I have not written to my brother since the trouble occurred for I have felt that what I would say would hurt his feelings. It is not what the girl has done in this particular instance, but the life that she has led, that makes me feel so bad. And her father, I don't know what it will do to him, for he has been in ill health some years.

"The family home was in Washington, D. C., where my brother was a supervisor in the treasury department. He married a Southern woman whose home was near the navy yard, in the capitol city."

NEW PRESS LAW SIGNED.

BELGRADE, Servia, Dec. 23.—King Peter today signed the new press law, which practically abolishes freedom of the press in Servia though aimed principally at the anti-dynastic and opposition papers.

BODY RECOVERED.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 23.—A body supposed to be that of John Woodworth, one of the victims of the schooner Fish Hawk, was found at Herring Cove Beach today by Albert Nickerson, a gunner. Woodworth lived at Everett.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Am Sugar	141¾
Am Sugar pfd	138½
A & T	86½
A & T pfd	101
B & O	99¾
B & O pfd	95¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	60⅝
Chi & Gt W	22⅛
C M St & P	169⅛
C R & P	34½
C R & P pfd	85
Con Gas	196½
Del & Hud	186½
Erie R R	36¼
Erie 1st	74¼
Gen Elect	185
Manhat Con	163½
Mo Kan & Tex	30½
Mo Kan & Tex pfd	62½
*Met St Ry	120
*Mis Pac	105¾
N Y Cen	142⅝
N Y Ont & W	39⅞
Penn	136½
People's Gas	106
So Pac	63⅝
Reading	77½
Reading pfd	91
Reading 2d pfd	81½
Tex & Pac	34
Union Pac	110½
Union Pac pfd	96¾
U S Steel	28¾
U S Steel pfd	91¾
Wabash	21⅞
Wabash pfd	43
W U Telegraph	92¼
U S Leather	14⅛
U S Leather pfd	101½

BOSTON STOCKS.

Adventure	5½
Amalgamated	66
American Wool	20½
American Wool pfd	93½
Am Tel & Tel	146¼
Arcadia	1¾
Atlantic	16
Anaconda	29
Anaconda	108
Allouez	18
B & Maine	170¾
Bingham	33¾
Boston	6⅛
Calumet & Hecla	630
Centennial	23½
Chicago Junction	151
Chicago Junction pfd	127
Copper Range	64¼
Dom Steel	17¾
Dom Coal	63½
Daly- West	11¾
Elm River	2½
Elevated	153¼
Fitchburg	140
Franklin	11
Granby	5
Greene	24¾
Mass	8⅞
Mass Gas	37¾
Mass Gas pfd	80
Mass Electric	13½
Mass Electric pfd	57
Mayflower	1
Mex Cen	20⅜
Michigan	9
M C & C	5
Mohawk	49
N E Tel	138
Osceola	92
N Y, N H & H R R	196
Old Colony Mine	1¼
Old Colony R R	205
Old Dominion	26
Shannon	8⅝
Royal	25½
Rhode Island	1½
Tamarack	118
Tennessee	37⅞
Parrott	26
Quincy	105¼
Santa Fe	2¼
Trinity	8¾
United States	23¾
United States Oil	11
Utah	41⅝
Victoria	4⅝
Winona	11½
Wolverine	105
Western Tel	20⅛
Western Tel pfd	100
West End	92
West End pfd	113
Wyandotte	2

*Ex-Dividend.

FIRE, SMOKE AND WATER SALE

Our furniture and household goods will be sold at Public Auction beginning Saturday, December 24, at 2 p. m., and every day and evening until goods are sold.

A big hole has been made in our stock by the fire but there is still a big and well assorted stock left to be sold. We are anxious to bring in our new stock which had been ordered and on its way here when the fire occurred. Therefore it is imperative to force out this present stock at your price.

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LEAVE XMAS ORDERS EARLY —AT— Harry Richardson's

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Special Saturday Christmas Sale

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Sable or Isabella Opossum at were $5.98	$3.98
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Isabella Fox Scarfs at were $9.50	$5.98
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A full assortment to choose from. Come early, they will not last long. Remember "Today only" on this sale.

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100 Coats at some were $15.00 — $5.00

Here is an Xmas opportunity that should not be overlooked.

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MANAGER LAKE

Not Decided Yet Where to Locate

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—An enthusiastic meeting of the New England league of baseball clubs was held at the Parker house yesterday afternoon and evening. Those in attendance were President T. H. Murnane, Secretary J. C. Morse, both of this city; A. G. Due of New Bedford; T. F. McDermott, Fall River; J. J. Carrigg, Secretary J. F. Maroney, Manager W. R. Hamilton, Haverhill; President Martin T. Mack, Secretary William Fitzgerald, Manager William Connors, Lowell; President William F. Hay, Secretary Charles L. Mason, Concord, N. H.; S. D. Flanagan, Lawrence; Fred Lake, Nashua, N. J., and W. J. Freeman, Manchester, N. H.

It was voted to give the Nashua club until Feb. 1 to decide where it would locate next season.

It is understood that Taunton, Pawtucket and Nashua are desirous of obtaining the Lawrence franchise.

Mr. Flanagan, representing the Lawrence club, said that unless strong inducements to move his club were offered he would remain in Lawrence.

It was voted to begin the next playing season on Friday, April 28, and bring it to a close on Saturday, Sept. 3, a season of 19 weeks. Last season there were scheduled 18 games in each series—nine at home and nine abroad. Next season the league will go back to a schedule which will call for 16 games in each series—eight at home and the same number abroad.

It was voted to hold the next schedule meeting in the Parker house in this city, Feb. 23, 1905, at 12 o'clock. The schedule committee chosen consisted of New Bedford (chairman) Manchester, Fall River, Haverhill and Nashua.

Concord, Manchester, New Bedford and Lowell were chosen members of the board of directors.

It was voted that each club must deposit $300 with the treasurer on or before the schedule meeting of the league. It was voted to adopt a team salary limit of $1500 per month, this to include the playing manager's salary of $100.

By unanimous vote life honorary membership was voted to John F. Smith, who has been so long identified with the organization, and a vote of thanks was rendered him for past services.

An honorary life membership was also voted to C. D. White of Chicago.

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Five rooms, Watson street	8.00
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Four rooms, Central street	7.00
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JACK TAYLOR

ACCUSED OF THROWING GAME IN 1903.

The case of Pitcher Jack Taylor, accused some time ago by James A. Hart of the Chicago National League Club of throwing a game to the Chicago Americans in the fall of 1903, will be investigated by the National Baseball Commission, if President Ban Johnson and Charles Comiskey of the American League have their way. Taylor was a member of the Chicago Nationals when he took part in the game referred to and was afterward traded to St. Louis in the same league. Last summer, in a talk Manager Selee of the Chicago Nationals said that his team would play no more games with the Chicago Americans, because there had been crooked dealings. Selee mentioned no names, but said that one of his pitchers was under suspicion. Later the statement came from Hart that Taylor had been fixed and for a sum of money had deliberately lost a game to the Americans. Comiskey, the owner of the Americans, naturally felt that he was under suspicion also, and promptly demanded an investigation. Taylor also came to time with a statement that unless Hart made a retraction he would bring a suit for damages for defamation of character.

Both Johnson and Comiskey backed Taylor up and declared that the matter was worthy of the consideration of the national board, at the same time saying that if Taylor should be found guilty, he would be blacklisted, but that if Hart could not substantiate the charges he would have to retire from professional baseball. With the controversy at the boiling point, Hart now says that he never made any charges against Taylor and states that it will not be necessary for him to appear before the national commission. But Comiskey and Johnson will not allow the case to be dropped and intend to bring Hart to a realizing sense of the wrong he has done in blackening the honesty of the national game.

Charges of crookedness in baseball have not been heard, until this particular incident since the blacklisting of Hall, Devlin, Craven and Nichols twenty-five years ago. These men were caught redhanded and the National League promptly put them out of the profession forever. Even during the bitter Brotherhood war of 1890 there was never the slightest hint that the games were not on the square. But with the bad blood displayed by both the National and American leagues in their recent warfare came bold statements that were made with the intention of injuring not only the game itself, but everybody connected with it. Last June a malicious statement came out of Pittsburg to the effect that the American League race was fixed and that Griffith's New Yorks could not lose the pennant. The assertion was sent broadcast and thousands of baseball fans were inclined to believe that there was something in it when the Bostons and New Yorks came down the home stretch neck and neck. At the wind-up of the big race, when the championship depended on a single game at the local American League grounds, thousands went to the scene of action believing that there would be something doing. But when the Bostons won the championship in the first game of a double header the honesty of the sport was more firmly established than ever before. A man who "fixed" a ball player would be indiscreet, to say the least, for the ball player would practically own him in the way of a hold-up salary for years to follow. Whatever may have been said about the faults of those in charge of professional baseball and the behavior of rowdy players on the field, no man can say, with proof, that the sport itself has not been always clean and on the level.

JIMMY KELLY

WAS GIVEN THE DECISION OVER FRANK CARSEY.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—Before the Young Men's club last night, Jimmy Kelly of Chicago was given the decision over Frank Carsey of New York in a ten round bout at 120 pounds. The decision, rendered by an amateur referee was hissed by the crowd, Carsey had Kelly going in the last rounds, having out-fought him all during the contest.

COUNTED OUT

ATTELL WON AGAIN FROM JIMMY FEGAN.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—After fighting Monte Attell of San Francisco to a standstill during the first nine rounds of what was to have been a 20-round go, Johnny Regan of New York was knocked out in the 17th round before the West End club last night. Regan again, as in his previous encounters with Attell, cast his stalling tactics away and waded into the Californian from the first ring of the gong. Regan's lead was marked until the half way point was reached, including a clean knock down in the sixth round. From the 11th round Attell steadily improved until near the end of the 17th round he swung viciously on Regan's jaw, dazing him. A lightning left and right to the same spot sent Regan to the floor and he was counted out. This was Attell's third consecutive victory over Regan.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Michael L. Donahue, late of Chelmsford in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by Florence C. Donahue, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to her, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the third day of January A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and four.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Addelaide Beatty, of Lowell in said County, that she was lawfully married to John H. Beatty, now of parts unknown to your libellant at Rochester in the State of New York on the twenty-seventh day of July A. D. 1893, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said John H. Beatty lived together as husband and wife in the State of New York, at said Rochester and at Tweed, in the Dominion of Canada, that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said John H. Beatty being wholly regardless of the same, at Tweed in said Dominion of Canada on or about the first day of November 1895, did utterly desert your libellant and has continued such desertion to the present time, being more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel and your libellant has resided in this Commonwealth to wit: at Lowell aforesaid for more than five years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said John H. Beatty and that the custody of their minor child Thelma May Beatty, age 6 years, be given to your libellant.

Dated this seventh day of October A. D. 1904.

ADDELAIDE BEATTY.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, October 19, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of February next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the County of Middlesex once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

Rev. Ralph Gillam, who is in this city for a few days, has been asked to accept a pastorate here. He declined to accept the offer. He says he has returned to evangelical work for life.

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In velvet, vici, box calf and alligator, all styles, in black and tan colors, 45c, 75c, 99c, $1.23, $1.50, $2.00

NECKWEAR

Handsome silk Neckwear, in four-in-hands and tecks, assorted colors, 25c

Two and three-inch French four-in-hands, puffs and ascots, made of pure silk 48c

SUSPENDERS

Fine mercerized Lisle Suspenders, put up one pair in a box 25c

Fine silk or satin Suspenders 50c

All silk Suspenders, fancy buckles, assorted colors, put up in a box, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

HANDKERCHIEFS

Linen Handkerchiefs, plain, hemstitched and initial 12½c, 10c and 25c

Silk Handkerchiefs, plain and initial 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00

FANCY VESTS

Men's White and Fancy Vests, in crash, duck and silk, all colors and sizes $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50

Christmas Gifts for Ladies

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS

Pure linen Handkerchiefs, put up 6 in a box, $1.50 Box; or 25c Each

Guaranteed pure linen initial Handkerchiefs, put up 6 in a box. These are part of a large purchase and are an exceptional value, at 12½c Each; or 69c Box

Plain hemstitched Handkerchiefs, all linen ..... 10c Each

Fancy linen Handkerchiefs ..... 55c Dozen; or 5c Each

LADIES' NECKWEAR

Stocks, made of Venice lace, with chiffon jabot and ruching; neckpieces of chiffon, with jabot, taffeta silk stocks decorated with steel and gold beads, put up in a fancy box 48c

LADIES' WAISTS

Ladies' brilliantine Waists, in blue, black, brown and fancy plaids, made with pleats and full sleeves 98c

Ladies' nun's veiling and brilliantine Waists, in light blue, white, tan, brown and navy blue, with soufflé sleeves, trimmed with medallions and tucks $1.95

Ladies' Waists, in silk and fancy trimmed nun's veiling, $2.75, $2.95 and $3.95

LADIES' SLIPPERS

Ladies' Felt Juliettes, in all colors, fur trimmed and hand sewed, 75c, 99c, $1.23 and $1.39

Ladies' four-strap Sandals, made in kid and patent leather, with low, Cuban and French heels ..... 75c, 99c, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.00

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Yesterday afternoon from a buggy, a box containing a bathrobe. Finder please leave at this office.

LOST—An express book, belonging to the Lowell Special Delivery. The finder will be rewarded by leaving at 42 Varney st.

LOST—Envelope containing sum of money between Lane st. and Appleton Co. office, Jackson st. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to 37 Lane st.

LOST—Young black dog, part spaniel, answers to name Peto. Reward at Joseph O'Brien's, 27 Dumphey st. Pawtucketville.

LOST—Black cocker spaniel, long tail, name "Phil." $15 reward for return or information leading to recovery. H. H. Wright, Concord, N. H. Box 686.

LOST—A black wrist bag containing pocketbook, bills and change, also tickets for Highland club hall. Return to Room 5 Glidden building.

FOUND—On Merrimack street a pocketbook containing a sum of money. Call at The Sun Office.

LOST—A bunch of flat keys, between Grafton Hall and Simpson st., if found return to Grafton Hall, Merrimack st.

LOST—A pocketbook yesterday some where between Mercier Hotel Lakeview or at Willow Dale entrance. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Sun Office.

LOST—Nov. 26, a pair of brown rosary beads with large medal attached. Return to 49 Bartlett st.

LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Barnard Itzkowitz to Charles Daggett, dated April 22nd, 1903, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 354, Page 212, will be sold at public auction upon the premises in Chelmsford on Saturday, the 31st day of December, 1904, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain lot of land situated in Chelmsford aforesaid in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, containing ninety and 47-100 acres, with the buildings thereon and the mill privilege and water power thereto appurtenant and belonging and being all the same land, mill privilege and water power conveyed to Edwin Lincoln Russell by Abbott Russell by deed dated August 5th, A. D. 1886, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 240, Page 109, to which deed reference is hereby made for a particular description of the land and rights therein conveyed. Also a certain other parcel of land situated in said Chelmsford containing four and 36-100 acres, and called the "Meadow" and being the same land conveyed to the said E. Lincoln Russell by Luther C. Upham, Trustee by deed dated July 23rd A. D. 1887, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 221, Page 508, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also another certain parcel of woodland situated in the southeasterly part of said Chelmsford on the southerly side of the road leading to Russell's Mills, containing one acre and being the same premises conveyed to the said E. Lincoln Russell by Mary Sweetser by deed dated November 24th, A. D. 1891, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 241, Page 228, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain other parcel of land situated in the southeasterly part of said Chelmsford containing one and one-half acres, more or less, and being the same land conveyed to the said E. Lincoln Russell by Adeline P. Spalding by deed dated October 30th A. D. 1899, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 221, Page 114, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain lot of land situated in the southeasterly part of said Chelmsford known as the "Mill Pond Lot" containing twenty acres and fifty-eight square rods, more or less, and being the same land conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by John S. Sheld by deed dated October 13th, A. D. 1899, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 221, Page 115, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said lot. Also a certain parcel of land situated in said Chelmsford, containing six acres, more or less, known as the "Smithtel Adams Meadow" and being the same land conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by Mary A. Duren by deed dated August 4th, A. D. 1894, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 257, Page 362 to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain lot of land situated in said Chelmsford containing ten acres, more or less, located on the Boston Road, so-called, and being the same land conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by the Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance Company, by deed dated April 12th A. D. 1899, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1901, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain other tract of wood-land containing thirty-six acres and one hundred thirty-three square rods, situated in Billerica, in said County of Middlesex and being the same premises conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell, by Julia E. Warren by deed dated April 26th, A. D. 1898, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 300, Page 359, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Also a certain parcel of wood-land situated in said Billerica, containing twelve acres, more or less, and being the same premises conveyed to said E. Lincoln Russell by Henry Duren by deed dated February 15th, A. D. 1893, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 241, Page 230, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Saving and excepting from said conveyance a certain tract of land with the buildings thereon conveyed to Arthur M. Warren by said Charles Daggett by deed dated July 20th, A. D. 1903, and recorded with said Registry of Deeds, Book 345, Page 201, to which deed reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said parcel. Being the same premises conveyed to the said Barnard Itzkowitz by the said Charles Daggett by deed dated April 22nd, 1903, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds.

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MANAGER GRAY

Was Presented a Silver Loving Cup

GIFT OF MEMBERS OF THE TEAM

Lowell Took a Fast Game From Newburyport

The members of the Lowell Basketball team paid a pretty compliment to their manager, James J. Gray, last night, and at the same time gave public proof of the perfect harmony that exists among the members of the team.

It was after the first period of the game with Newburyport in Associate hall last night that the players assembled in the playing space and Manager Gray was called to the center of the group. Then Old Sport, carrying a large bundle, made his appearance and said that he proposed to introduce Manager Gray to a new game of passing, which he proceeded to do. He lauded Mr. Gray as the pluckiest sporting man the city ever knew, a sentiment that caught the audience all right for there was deafening applause followed by cheers for Manager Gray. Then Old Sport, in behalf of the team, presented Manager Gray a beautiful silver loving cup suitably inscribed. Mr. Gray bowed his appreciation and made his exit when there were calls for a speech.

The game itself was one that brought the fans to their feet for it abounded in good plays. "Skip" Fields played with the home team and Albie Allard was in the hall but could not play as Manager Murphy of Amesbury protested that he had first call on the former P. A. C. star and would enter a protest if Manager Gray played him. But there are two men on the Lowell team who shone as particular stars. They were the Loos brothers, "Ike" and "Bill," and they had the audience all right. "Ike" was the blocker and "Bill" was the little black-haired lad who jumped in and out of all kinds of scrimmages, carried the ball down the length of the hall, tossed baskets and did a juggling act with the ball that simply mystified his opponents. Such playing is seldom witnessed and it is the opinion of the fans now that Lowell has a man in young "Bill" Loos who is right in the class with Harry Hough and bids fair to go a few points ahead of the famous player. Toby Matthews, too, had his kangaroo jump with him and his one hand tosses into the basket were a treat. Leighton, the clever man who plays under the basket, was there as usual with his seven baskets. Fields was not in the running but it may have ben because it was his first game with the team. The visitors played a scrappy game throughout and the score does not show the fast work of the teams. It was announced that Haverhill will play Lowell in Associate hall next Monday morning at 10.30 o'clock. "Jack" O'Neil made his initial appearance as referee and carried off the honors all right.

LOWELL—41	22—NEWBURYPORT
Matthews rf	rb, H. Sheridan
Leighton rf	lb Hayes
I. Loos c	c W. Sheridan
W. Loos lb	rf Lynch
Field rb	lf Regan

Won by	Scored by	Score
Lowell	Matthews	2—0
Newburyport	Lynch	2—2
Lowell	Third foul	3—2
Lowell	Matthews	5—2
Newburyport	Third foul	5—3
Lowell	Third foul	6—3
Lowell	Matthews	8—3
Lowell	Leighton	10—3
Lowell	Third foul	11—3
Newburyport	Regan	11—5
	LIMIT.	
Newburyport	Hayes	11—7
Newburyport	Lynch	11—9
Lowell	Leighton	13—9
Newburyport	Lynch	13—11
Lowell	Matthews	15—11
Lowell	W. Loos	17—11
Lowell	Leighton	19—11
Lowell	Third foul	20—11
Lowell	I. Loos	22—11
Lowell	Field	24—11
Newburyport	Regan	24—13
Lowell	Matthews	26—13
Newburyport	Third foul	26—14
Lowell	Leighton	28—14
Lowell	Leighton	30—14
	LIMIT.	
Lowell	Leighton	32—14
Lowell	Leighton	34—14
Lowell	Matthews	36—14
Lowell	I. Loos	38—14
Newburyport	Hayes	38—16
	LIMIT.	
Lowell	Matthews	40—16
Lowell	Matthews	42—16
Newburyport	W. Sheridan	42—18
Lowell	W. Loos	44—18
Newburyport	Lynch	44—20
Newburyport	H. Sheridan	44—22

Score—Lowell 44, Newburyport 22. Goals by Matthews 7, I. Loos 2, W. Loos 2, Leighton 7, Field 2, Lynch 4, Regan 2, Hayes 2, Sheridan. Fouls by Lynch 5, I. Loos 2, W. Loos 3, Hayes, W. Sheridan 2, H. Sheridan 3, Matthews, Field, Regan 2. Referee—O'Neil of Lowell. Timers—Gray for Lowell, Healey for Newburyport. Attendance—600.

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NATICK 30, AMESBURY 24.

AMESBURY, Dec. 23.—The Amesbury New England league basketball team was defeated here last night by Natick, the locals losing in the last period by a score of 30 to 24. Natick excelled in team work, especially in passing. Page, Amesbury's new man, made his first appearance here, making three goals in the two periods played by him. The summary:

NATICK	AMESBURY
Ferat rf	lb Henschell
Fogarty	rb Donnelly
Mulliner c	c Penino
Hough rb	lf Healey
Mayham lb	rf Page
	rf Zanger

Score, Natick 30, Amesbury 24. Goals from floor, Ferat 3, Fogarty 4, Mulliner 2, Hough 5, Mayham, Healey 3, Page 3, Penino, Henschell 3, Donnelly 2. Referee, Lynch. Scorer, Breed. Timers, Zanger and Murphy. Time, three 15m. periods. Attendance, 400.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

STONEHAM, Dec. 23.—Lowell high proved too strong for the local school boys yesterday, winning 15 to 9. The passing of the visitors was clever and their shooting accurate. The summary:

LOWELL H. S.	STONEHAM H. S.
Ames rf	lb Hovey
Brock lf	rb Merrifield
Quinlan lf	
Scribner lf	
Farley c	c Parks
Lew rb	lf Ervin
Field lb	rf Tarbell

Score, Lowell H. S. 15, Stoneham H. S. 9. Goals from floor, Brock, Field 2, Farley 3, Parks 2, Hovey, Tarbell. Goals from fouls, Field, Farley 2, Parks. Referee, Connors. Umpires, Scribner and Quinlan. Scorer, Whipple. Timer, Mann. Time, two 20m periods.

Manager Gray announced yesterday that Allard, the former P. A. C. star, has been awarded to the Lowell team.

Dan Lynch of the Connecticut league, arrived home yesterday. The old Burke team did not profit by jumping to the Connecticut league.

Amesbury should be with the winners now that Qualey and Devlin have been awarded to the team.

Haverhill plays here next Monday morning at 10.30. That means a blood game all right.

Harry Hough has dropped off in his playing this week. In fact the entire Natick team seems to have gone back a peg. They're liable to take a brace yet.

Always keep in mind the fact that smoking and spitting on the floor in Associate hall are not allowed, and you will not get into trouble.

A rattling game of basketball was played between the P. A. C.'s and the Lindens at P. A. C. hall, Wednesday evening. The P. A. C.'s won by a score of 30 to 4. The features of the game were the playing of Lawton and Mallison of P. A. C. and Mahan and Joe Bluin of the Lindens. P. A. C.'s challenge any team between 16 and 18 years.

SAM LANGFORD

WON FROM REED IN NINE ROUNDS.

BERLIN, N. H., Dec. 23.—Before the Paper City A. C. last night in this city Sam Langford of Boston won from Joe Reed of Lynn after nine rounds of the fastest fighting ever seen at this club.

After the usual preliminaries the main bout came on. Reed was the first in the ring, at 11.45 p.m., Langford soon following.

Both principals agreed on Prof. Fred Wright as referee, agreed to fight with one hand free, breaking at the referee's word.

Langford had the best of the opening rounds, but Reed had slightly the advantage from the fourth until the seventh.

In the eighth round Reed broke his wrist, but still continued. In the ninth Langford set an awful pace, trying to land a knockout, but was not successful, Reed gamely fighting until the close, his wrist being then so painful that he had to give up. Referee Wright then awarded the decision to Langford. The attendance was about 400.

Oriental Bazaar, opposite Kirk st.

PARK COMMISSION

HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING LAST EVENING.

The park commission met last evening and received reports from the chairman and superintendent of commons. The members discussed the brown tail moth at some length but no action was taken. Nothing in the line of destroying the nests can be done unless there is an appropriation from the city to cover the necessary expenses.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Charles A. Taylor's latest comedy drama "The Child Wife" was presented at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening. It is a play of modern married life, full of pathos and tears, yet enlivened greatly by good wholesome comedy. The child-wife first appears as a sixteen year old school girl with her school mates. A pretended friend seeks to accomplish her father's ruin, which can only be effected by the daughter's signature to certain papers. To get her in his power is therefore the villain's purpose. Although he has the father's confidence, the daughter instinctively mistrusts him, and to prevent being consigned to his treacherous guardianship by her blindly trustful father, she impulsively marries her sweetheart, a poor inventor, and for a time foils the schemer. Undiscouraged, however, the villain plots on, and at length traps the young husband into an apparent complicity with a counterfeiting gang, has him arrested, and then carries off the wife to a hidden retreat where he imprisons her and tries to obtain the needed signatures to the papers he has prepared. She holds out bravely against his violent threats and meanwhile the husband, escaping from custody hurries to her rescue and they make their escape together. They then seek out the father, convince him of his friend's duplicity and of their own innocence. He becomes reconciled with them and the baffled villain, on the next appearance is promptly and finally "turned down." The cast engaged in presenting the play is exceptionally good for melodrama, as such companies are not always filled with an eye to artistic fitness so much as to commercial worth.

Miss Dolly Kemper plays the part of the child wife in an able manner, this lady, though young in years is old in experience on the stage. Her acting is of a very high standard and the different climaxes in which she was the most prominent figure brought forth much applause from the audience. The part of "Twight Perkins," a young inventor, who marries the "Nellie Golden," who is afterwards known as the child wife, is played in a manner which demands favorable criticism.

Mark Ellision, in the character of Herbert Small, a scheming villainous New York attorney, fills the part to which he is assigned in a very creditable manner.

The comedy roles which play an important part in the presentation are in capable hands and ably taken care of by George E. Murphy, J. A. Curtis, Gladys Smith, May Thompson, Fannie Munroe, William H. Parsons and Chas. Banks.

"The Child Wife" will be given twice today with two performances tomorrow.

WOULD ANNEX ISLANDS.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 23.—Two British warships have sailed for the Tonga islands, it is reported, with the intention to annex them.

Mr. Simeon Deliale, father of Mr. Adolph Deliale of the Lowell pharmacy, is critically ill.

BRYN MAWR GIRLS

SWIMMING POOL THE BATTLE-GROUND FOR POLO.

Winter having put an end to the outdoor sports for which the girls of Bryn Mawr college are famous, these irrepressible damsels have converted themselves into a company of mermaids, and Father Neptune shakes his trident in a rage to think that they have chosen to disport behind thick walls, in the seclusion of their gymnasium. For water polo has succeeded hockey, tennis and cricket, and the chase through the 70-foot swimming pool after the elusive rubber ball has given a new joy to the college girl.

To do this requires considerable skill in swimming, and those who do not possess this accomplishment are being rapidly converted into water nymphs under the instruction of Miss Constance M. K. Applebee.

This delightful sport has captured the entire college and every girl is eager to prove her prowess in the tank. It is one of the many features of physical culture and health-giving sports to which the college authorities give close attention, and the wisdom of which is shown by the springy footstep, the snapping eye, and the rose-tinted cheek of the Bryn Mawr girl.

HER PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Throughout the four years' course, physical exercise is required of all undergraduate students, and is one of the regular requirements for the bachelor's degree. Four periods of exercise are required each week. These four periods may be divided between out of door and indoor exercise, according to the season of the year. The student may, if she prefers, take her periods of outdoor exercise in any one of the following ways: Walking, riding, cycling, skating, swimming, tennis, golf, basketball, hockey or cricket.

Indoor exercise is carried on in the gymnasium under the direction of Miss Lunette M. Garlock, director of the gymnasium. For the first year students the Swedish system is used, the German for the three upper classes.

At the close of the gymnastic work in the spring, all four classes compete for the championship in the best gymnastic work.

During the second and third weeks in March the indoor athletic meet and the swimming contests are held.

Practice for basketball begins in the gymnasium in the early spring months; as soon as the condition of the ground and the weather permit this game is played out of doors. The interclass championship games are played in May. In the autumn similar games are played for the championship in hockey. The series of match games which ended the last of November resulted in giving the championship for the third successive year to 1905.

NEW HOCKEY FIELD.

It is expected that it the spring the new hockey field just above Low buildings will be ready for use. Seven hundred dollars has been expended on it, of which $450 was raised by the students. Even with the new field, however, there will be by no means adequate accommodations for all the teams ready for play. Cricket, which was begun only last autumn, will probably rival hockey in popularity; 112 students have registered for the spring game. Also in the autumn a tennis tournament is held. A student holding the championship for three successive years is entitled to become the possessor of the trophy cup.

ROBUST WOMANHOOD.

At the beginning and close of each college year, every undergraduate student in residence and non-resident and graduate students as have registered for the gymnasium work, undergo a thorough physical examination. A chart exhibited at the St. Louis exposition gave the average measurements of the entering classes from 1886 to 1904, which indicated a marked physical development. The record of all the tests for strength show a large increase—in one case, the strength of the chest, more than 100 per cent.

The statistics of a single class, 1903, show also an increase during residence in the college in 25 out of the 28 measurements taken and in all the tests for strength. Of the 101 members of the present freshman class only 13 are not in good health. The recent estimate, therefore, of a well known physician that 40 per cent. of women are invalids certainly does not apply to the young women who are being educated in Bryn Mawr college.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

PASTOR CHOSEN

Rev. Fr. McDonough in New Position

BOSTON, Dec. 23—The corporation board of the Working Boys' home met at the home on Hennet street last evening and elected Rev. William H. McDonough, pastor of the Catholic church at Cohasset, to be superintendent of the home in this city and of St. John's industrial home, Newton, to succeed Rev. John J. Downey.

Fr. Downey will assume the pastorate of the new parish at Beverly Farms the first week in January and Fr. McDonough will take charge of the home about the same time.

It now remains for the board of directors to ratify the election of the corporation board, which will be done within a few days.

At last night's meeting at the home there were Rt. Rev. William Byrne, DD., VG.; Rev. Fr. O'Farrell of St. Stephen's parish, North End; Rt. Rev. Denis O'Callaghan, DD., of St. Augustine's parish, South Boston; Rev. Philip J. O'Donnell, rector of St. Philip's church, South End; Rev. J. J. Downey, the present superintendent; Dr. Dorsey, Thomas O'Callaghan, John P. Dore and several other members of the corporation.

Fr. McDonough is a well-known priest of the archdiocese. About two years ago he was president of the alumni association of St. John's seminary. He has been located at Cohasset about 8 years as pastor and is held in the highest esteem by his parishioners. The parish includes Scituate as a mission, and about a year ago Fr. McDonough, with the aid of a number of well-known Boston summer residents, had a chapel built at Scituate beach.

Prior to going to Cohasset as pastor Fr. McDonough had labored in Lowell for about a dozen years, having been curate at St. Peter's church.

He is a great favorite with all who know him. He is a man of kindly genial disposition, and is well fitted for the care of the large number of boys who will come under his supervision.

The fact that a pastor is selected to take charge of the Working Boys' home is a new departure. Heretofore the superintendent has been taken from among the curates of the archdiocese.

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"DEAD" RETURNS

ERNEST NERTO REAPPEARS AT MAYNARD.

MAYNARD, Dec. 23.—Ernest Nerto, who disappeared from Maynard about two years ago, leaving a note to the effect that he was tired of living, returned yesterday.

Nerto went from here to Michigan, where he had relatives, and worked for a time on a farm. Tiring of this he went to work as a brakeman on a railroad in Minnesota and worked in a number of western states. Nerto, who is an intelligent young Finlander about 25, says that he has had enough of the west, and that Massachusetts is good enough for him hereafter. He managed to save considerable money notwithstanding his wanderings, and intends to start a small business in one of the nearby towns. He says his strange exit from Maynard and his note were meant to frighten a young woman, but as she has since been married he concludes that his labor went for nothing.

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The grand wind-up of the greatest Christmas trade we have ever had. In the closing hours many odd sizes and broken lots force themselves to the front for a quick sale. NO EXCUSE to overlook any man, woman or child to whom you wish to send a Christmas present.

Ladies' $16.75 Jackets, at	**$10.98**
Men's $20.00 Overcoats at	**$14.75**
Boys' $5.00 Overcoats at	**$3.98**
Boys' $6.50 School Suits, at	**$4.98**

Great Fur Specials to Close

Ladies' and Misses' reliable Furs in all popular styles and shapes. Scarfs, Neckpieces and Muffs	**$2.98 up**
Children's Pretty Fur Sets, great values	**$1.98 up**

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RELIABLE JEWELRY IN ALL THE NEW AND RICHEST DESIGNS.

SOLID GOLD SIGNET RINGS, engraved free.....$3.50 to $15.00
LADIES' RINGS, set with precious stones.....$2.00 to $20.00
MEN'S RINGS.....$4.50 to $10.00
LOCKETS, in all new shapes. $2.00 to $5.00
BROOCHES, a great variety. $1.00 to $20.00
SOLID GOLD SCARF PINS, 2.00 to $5.00

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NOTHING CHEAPER THAN 20 YEAR GUARANTEED CASES, WITH ELGIN, WALTHAM AND ILLINOIS MOVEMENTS.

MEN'S .....$16.75 to $90.00
WOMEN'S.....$18.75 to $40.00
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CHAINS, $3.00 to $10.00

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220 Central St.

GOOD CLOTHING AT RIGHT PRICES AND FREE AND CHEERFUL CREDIT TO ALL

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206-214 Merrimack Street

You may buy your Christmas Presents here and now—pay for them after the holidays. We are the original, largest and best credit house in the city, good clothing, right prices and easiest terms.

Fur Scarfs, Muffs and Sets

Nothing better for a present to your lady friend or wife, a large stock to select from. Scarfs and muffs from **$2.98 to $30**

You can buy now and pay later.

Ladies' Coats and Suits

The lines are still unbroken and the stocks complete. Coats from **$4.50 to $25**

Suits from **$10 to $25**

Have them charged.

Overcoats on Credit

At less than cash prices. You will find what you want in the large stock we carry. Prices **$8, $12, $15 and $20**

Terms to suit your convenience.

Jewelry Dept.

Watches, Chains, Brooches, Rings, Diamonds, etc. On credit at cash prices.

Men's Suits, Boys' Suits, Children's Suits, in fact the whole family suited.

Open Evenings Until Christmas

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

The signs of progress in Canada are marked and very promising.

Tom Lawson's ego has had much to do with making him wealthy. It will have much to do also with making some of his financial enemies poor.

Child labor is to receive attention in New York and apparently with good cause. The mill cities are not the only places in which children are abused.

Nan Patterson is attaining almost as wide notoriety as did Florence Burns, also tried for murder in New York, the crime being somewhat similar to that charged against Miss Patterson.

THE TRIALS FOR MURDER OF DISSOLUTE MEN.

When a man throws off all regard for right and justice, for decency, honor and purity, when he drags down with him into the depths of dissipation, some frail woman only to make her his plaything, when he disregards his marriage vows and leaves a wife and children to lament their fate while he engages in nightly carousals in which women and wine are the chief factors—when such a man falls by the wayside even by the hand of one of the women whom he led to the depths of degradation only to betray, no American jury is very anxious to convict the woman of his murder. The jurymen feel that society and the world at large are better rid of such a man and they are only anxious to find some room for doubt upon which they can base an acquittal or a disagreement. Of this tendency there are many examples besides that of Nan Patterson.

SMOOT AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

In spite of the heinous oaths taken repeatedly by Smoot as member of the Endowment House, it is doubtful if the United States senate can find sufficient evidence against him upon which to exclude him from that body of grave and reverend seigniors. Unless it be found that he has taken oaths which contravene his oath of allegiance to the United States or unless it can be proven that he is practising polygamy, it will be difficult to expel him. The republicans no doubt in reaching a decision will give some weight to the fact that Smoot was elected on a political trade and guaranteed admission to the senate by the republican leaders of 1900. Thus the republican party has Smoot as an elephant on its hands and whether it expels him or retains him, it is bound to be blamed by one side or the other. Thus do even the most undesirable chickens come home to roost.

SOME HINTS ON CHRISTMAS GIVING.

The use of the Santa Claus myth has been a great aid to parents in keeping children "good" during the last few weeks. "Be good now or I'll tell Santa Claus and he will bring you nothing at Christmas" has been the common exhortation and it had a magical effect with the children, which shows that rewards are in many cases more effective in making the children obedient than are punishments. But if after so many promises, after being led to expect so much they should be disappointed and receive nothing! It would be cruel to have a child worked up to such a pitch of expectancy to wake up on Christmas morn to find an empty stocking. But how many are there who do not expect anything and to whom the unexpected visit of Santa would bring supreme delight?

In thus making the children happy there is room for the exercise of true charity and room for attaining self-happiness; but the children are not the only ones who need to be remembered. There are the children of older years, those who have long cast aside the childish myths of Santa Claus but whose hearts are heavily laden as they find themselves in want and without the hope of sharing in the bountiful Christian munificence that abounds in the land at the Christmas season. To seek out such deserving objects of charity and lighten their hearts by festal cheer would assuredly be an act the remembrance of which might well be a source of joy to the donor until the arrival of another Christmas. Here then is a field in which the charitable Christmas spirit may accomplish much.

Nearly every festival such as Christmas is unhappily clouded by some tragic occurrence, arising chiefly from despondency which leads to maddening indulgence in drink and this in turn to acts of violence such as murder and suicide. To reach such people and prevent such an awful observance of the feast should be the aim of every true Christian heart.

SHALL WE WIPE OUT THE MOTH PEST?

Shall we banish the brown-tail moth or shall we let the pest get a foothold here so as to be ineradicable except at a large expense?

This is a question that presents itself to every citizen interested in our city. Unfortunately we have pests and pestholes enough although not as many nor as bad as have other cities of the same size of Lowell.

But although not as badly off as some other cities in this respect, we do not want to be any worse than we are. We do not want any insect pest. We had an opportunity of seeing what the pest is, last fall, when the brown-tails swarmed over the city like a shower of snow. Who wants that swarm multiplied two hundred fold as it will be next summer if not checked by the destruction of the nests? The insects increase at the rate of 200 to one every year, so that it is a very serious matter for a community to neglect the destruction of the larvae when that is not only possible but practical and easy.

The plague of locusts visited upon the Israelites of old was not more terrible than will be the plague of the brown-tails unless the proper steps be taken to prevent their propagation.

Naturally people look to the park commission to take the leading part in this work; but without money the commission cannot do the work. The city council, however seems to think that the commission having done so much with a little money last year can wipe out a moth pest without incurring any expense. On this assumption the proposed appropriation was sent back from the city council to the committee on appropriations and there it is now pigeonholed to await the pleasure of next year's committee. The committee of next year may be more liberal or it may not; it may have an aversion for brown-tail moths or it may wish to have them propagate from year to year so as to keep the people of our city more busily engaged than at present. Meantime the park commission may be kept waiting until the time for wiping out the pest will have passed and then not $500 nor $1000 would be of any use. Betimes the economic ideas of the city council committees take on a penny wise and pound foolish aspect that eventually proves quite expensive to the city. We expect a little municipal reform from the new city government, but in order to enjoy it we don't care to be devoured by any new pest whether brown-tail blue- tail, gypsy or ring tail.

SEEN AND HEARD

Remember just about this time that it is better to give than to receive. At any rate don't forget the little ones at home.

Have you noticed the difference in the looks of the turkeys now hanging outside the markets from those which hung in same place just prior to Thanksgiving? There is quite a difference and we are glad to note that they are much nicer and fatter than a month ago. We are also glad to note the drop in the price of the birds.

He did not intend to steal the horse and sleigh but the owner of the team thought the other fellow was a "proper" horse thief and he went at him like a bull at a gate. The fellow who had unblanketed the horse was about to unhitch him when pounced upon by the owner. He had a horse of his own standing a few yards away. It was in Merrimack street and there was no other horse standing there when the absent-minded man hitched his to the post. When he returned he was thinking about something else other than his team and instead of unhitching his own horse he directed his attention to the other fellow's outfit. The man who thought the absent-minded man was a horse thief grew angry and threatened to have the other fellow arrested. The absent-minded man tried to explain but to no purpose. Then when he undertook to unhitch his own horse the other fellow called an officer and denounced the absent-minded man as a professional horse thief. The absent-minded man, however, succeeded in explaining things away and drove off. "I don't believe now," said the other fellow to the officer, "that that team belongs to him."

"WHATCHY GOIN' T' GIMME?"

"Watchy goin' t' gimme," say the youngest boy to pa;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" says the youngest girl to ma;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" says the maiden to her beau;
Everywhere the answer is, "O, sumpin, I dunno."

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the little boy at school—
His just fore-Christmas goodness makes him mindful of each rule;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" sings the gamin in the street;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" on our every hand we meet.

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" says our city to the mayor;
"What will be your answer, Jimmie, when you have ta'en the chair.
"Will you give us lower taxes and employment in galore
Or will you leave Miss Lowell just as needy as before?"

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the yawning money box
Meant to catch the coin to feed the hungry folks in flocks;
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the wretched and the poor,
Living in their penury a stone's throw from your door.

"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" asks the great big world, of you;
"Lifetime full of usefulness, heart sincere and true?"
"Whatchy goin' t' gimme?" Hear it everywhere you go—
Always comes the answer, 'O, just sumpin; I dunno."

Buy your gifts at Oriental Bazaar.

"LUCKY" NICKOLS

HE DROVE THREE WINNERS AT NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23—Nichols' riding was a feature of yesterday's racing. The boy had four mounts and landed three winners, finishing second with his last mount. Fox Mead and Reliance were the only winning favorites. Weather clear and track good. Summaries:

First race, six furlongs: St. Sever, 94, Baird, 7 to 1, won; Little Jack Horner, 94, Crimmins, 6 to 1, second; Dalesman, 112, H. Phillips, 11 to 5, third. Time—1.14 3-5.

Second race, seven furlongs: Selling: Fox Mead, 102, Nichols 9 to 5, won; the Huguenot, 101, Baird, 17 to 1, second; Josette, 108, Wonderly, 16 to 5, third. Time—1.28 2-5.

Third race, one mile: Mae Hanlon, 108, Howell, 12 to 1, won; Court Maid, 108, Wonderly, 8 to 5, second; Merry Pioneer, 105, Woodard, 8 to 1, third. Time—1.44 3-5.

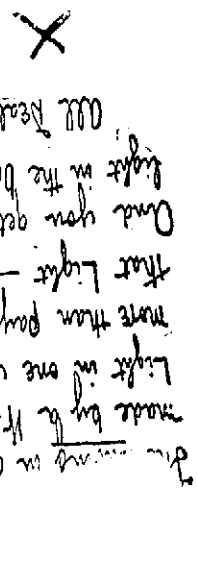
Fourth race, handicap, mile and 20 yards: King's Trophy, 97, Nichols, 13 to 10, won; De Reszke, 108, W. Hennessy, even, second; Miliador, 90, Aubchon, 15 to 1, third. Time—1.44.

Fifth race, mile: Reliance 105, Nichols 2 to 1, won; Montebank 108, Cocolo, 6 to 1, second; Daisy Green, 114, Hicks, 15 to 5, third. Time—1.44.

Sixth race, selling, six furlongs; Go To Win, 105, McCafferty, 10 to 1, won; Green Gown, 101, Nichols, even, second; Dundale, 102, J. McIntyre, 7 to 1, third. Time—1.14 2-5.

HIS FACE BURNED.

Peter Hughes, residing at 221 Rock street, received severe burns about the face by hot tar while at work at the Lowell Gas Light Co.'s works in School street, late yesterday afternoon. He was taken to the Lowell General hospital for treatment.



FOGGY LONDON

Business is Now at a Standstill

LONDON, Dec. 23.—There is as yet no sign of the lifting of the fog which envelopes the kingdom. The absence of wind throughout Great Britain is almost unprecedented and meteorologists do not expect any change in conditions for another 24 hours. Considering the almost insuperable difficulties attending locomotion of any form, the number of fatal accidents has been remarkably small. The congestion and suspension of business are very general. So far as London is concerned, the tube railways are the only concerns benefiting, and their daily traffic is reaching second figures.

Places of amusement are almost deserted and shopkeepers are loudly lamenting the absence of the usual Christmas customers, instead of which the big stores are inundated with orders by post, which cannot be executed owing to the complete dislocation of all carrying business.

Railway traffic, both for long and short distances, is almost paralyzed. A condition resembling chaos prevails in the postal service. With the continued accumulation of Christmas parcel and letter traffic, it is quite impossible to preserve even a semblance of punctuality. All railway trains are many hours late and many trains between London and suburbs occupy a couple of hours in making a distance of eight miles. Mail boats in all directions are similarly disorganized. The Oceanic and Saxonia have been unable to reach landings at Liverpool. The Cedric and Pretoria, outward bound, are both delayed, and the Minnehaha is at the mouth of the Thames, unable to proceed. Only two vessels entered the port of London yesterday, a condition of affairs such as has not occurred for 20 years. The mouth of the river is crammed with vessels loaded with perishable foodstuffs of all descriptions. The streets of London present remarkable scenes. Nothing is visible except link boys' torches and the occasional flare of big creosote lamps which the authorities are beginning to employ to assist traffic. Phantom voices mingle with the unceasing whistling of omnibus and tramway drivers, while the points like Trafalgar square and Hyde Park corner are glomerations of vehicles of every description, held up by the police and close-locked for hours. Nearly everybody is suffering from headaches, which the doctors attribute to the fog.

At Birmingham, Sir Oliver Lodge is making experiments with a model electrical appartus for the disposal of fog, which, although successful, is regarded as being too expensive for application on a large scale.

OLD LADIES' HOME.

A concert will be given from 4 to 6 o'clock at the old ladies' home in Fletcher street, tomorrow afternoon. All friends of the home are cordially invited to be present.

CHECK A COLD

Check a cold and check it quick by taking a spoonful of sugar saturated with

JOHNSON'S Anodyne LINIMENT

This dose will speedily effect the cure of Colds, Coughs, La Grippe, Croup, Bronchitis and all inflammation of head and throat. Strictly a family medicine, safe, speedy, sure. 25c; three times as much 50c. Sold by all druggists.

I. S. JOHNSON & CO., Boston, Mass.

ANNUAL DINNER

OF THE NEW ENGLAND SOCIETY OF NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Four hundred and fifty sons of New England attended the 99th dinner of the New England Society of the City of New York at the Waldorf-Astoria last night. The menu was engrossed in gold and neutral tints and depicted several notable historic scenes. The souvenir was an exact fac-simile of the New England primer in color and type.

At the guests' table with President Hubbard sat former Secretary of War Elihu Root, who responded to the principal toast of the evening, "A Corollary of the Monroe Doctrine"; President William De Witt Hyde of Bowdoin college, who spoke on "The New England Conscience"; John D. Long, former secretary of the navy, who told of "The Bowl of Sump and Milk," and Amos Parker Wilder of Madison, Wis., who responded to the toast "The Puritan Impress."

Others at the guests' table were the Rev. Dr. Donald Sage Mackay, Brig. Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, Stewart L. Woodford, J. Pierpont Morgan, Edmund C. Stedman, and the presidents of a number of patriotic societies.

Mr. Root said in part:

"We have had within a few days here a meeting of the advocates of peace, a meeting designed to promote the principles of arbitration among nations and with the purpose of that meeting, with the things said and the results which it so sought to accomplish, I heartily agree and I believe all of you agree.

"But after all the true way to accomplish peace among men is to promote justice among men, good understanding for all wars come of misunderstanding or injustice, from a failure of some one to do his duty to his fellow man.

"The only relation that carries the possibility of war for this country is that declaration and adherence of the American people to the so-called Monroe Doctrine.

"There will be no frontal attack on the Monroe Doctrine. The way in which the cause of war may arise will be, if at all, by the conflict of rights, the existence of rights on the part of foreign powers against the American republics and the result of the enforcement of these rights of foreign powers against the American republics coming into conflict with this doctrine which we assert for our own safety and preservation.

"It is always possible that redress of injury; that punishment for wrong may lead to the occupation of territory. And if we are to maintain this doctrine, which is vital to our national life and its safety at the same time that we say to the powers of the world, you shall not push your remedies for wrong against these republics to the point of occupying their territory, we are bound to say that whenever that wrong cannot be otherwise redressed, we ourselves will see that it is redressed. Above all things, let us be just. Let us do equity when we come in the great court of civilization. Let us see that we ourselves and those whom we protect for our own safety are just and then our cause will be just."

Oriental Bazaar, 200 Merrimack st.

CHIMNEY FIRE.

An alarm from box 24 at 5.33 o'clock last night was for a chimney fire in a house in South street, owned by A. G. Thompson. The damage was slight.

Don't have a heater put in your house until you have seen our line—the finest display of Boilers and Furnaces in Lowell.

CARROLL BROS.

Telephone 840 28 Middle St.

How Do You Spend Your Money

Are you doing it in a way to receive substantial benefit. Are you laying aside something for a "rainy day?" If not you will never have a better time to begin than now. To get quietly started, begin the easiest way. Come to the

WASHINGTON SAVINGS INSTITUTION

and open a Savings Account. Do not wait for a large sum, for it may never come. Just deposit whatever you have to spare, no matter how small the amount.

WE WILL GLADLY ASSIST YOU IN GETTING STARTED

Bon Marché

"I Must Go to the Jungle Before I Go Back Home."

Today and Tomorrow Then a Long, long Rest

The various lines of Holiday Merchandise are in excellent condition considering the strain of the last few days.

Those who wish to take advantage of the free tickets we are giving to the JUNGLE should do so now as it will close in a short time. Every purchase of 50c or more entitles you to one ticket. This is the last week in the Jungle of Mme. Schell and her den of performing lions.

The sale of Singing Canaries on 2d floor is most opportune. One of these feathered beauties would make a very pleasing Xmas gift. Every one a singer or money refunded. The price $1.98 each.

Our sale of Catholic Prayer Goods has been enormous. Just look up the line of prayer books we are selling at 49c, and the pearl Rosary Beads (in fancy satin lined boxes) at the same price and you will understand the reason why.

As a guide to your footsteps in looking for toys, we will briefly state, that all the larger and mechanical toys are on the 2d floor, such as Sleds, Rocking Horses, Doll Carriages, etc. All the smaller toys are in our basement. If you want some excellent Xmas Cake you can find some in the basement, at 2 pounds for 25c. Also 18 juicy sweet Oranges for 25c. Christmas Ribbon Candy, 10c pound, and Honey Kisses same price.

To give a detailed list of the good things we have waiting for you would take up too much valuable space, so we will close by cordially inviting you to come down (but for goodness sake, in the morning, if you can) and examine our array of Xmas Things. As this is the last time in which we will appear in the publicity columns we will take advantage of them and heartily thank our public for the favors of the past and wish them

A Merry, Merry Christmas

THE GAS ESCAPED

Twenty Seven Persons Were Overcome

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Twenty-seven persons, most of them women and children, were overcome by coal gas in a crowded tenement house at 15 Monroe street, in the foreign settlement of this city early this morning. Twelve of them were in such a serious condition that they had to be taken to a hospital, but it is believed they will recover. The lower part of the tenement was occupied by a Turkish bath establishment and the gas escaped from a large furnace used in the baths. There were more than 100 persons in the upper part of the building, most of whom were Russian Jews. That no lives were lost was due to two policemen, who in passing the building detected the gas and immediately began arousing the sleeping occupants. Many of them were unconscious and had to be carried fro mthe place.

DELUGE OF GRAIN

DEALERS MAKE APPEAL TO THE RAILROADS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Chicago is experiencing a deluge of grain and dealers are anxiously urging the railroads to come to their relief. Between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 bushels of grain from the west are now awaiting transportation to points east of Chicago. The railroads are doing all in their power, but today were compelled to refuse 6000 cars of grain offered for transportation. The inability of the roads to handle the stuff is laid to lack of equipment.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

WANTS ENGLAND TO ARBITRATE IRISH QUESTION.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—"If England wants arbitration, let her arbitrate the Irish question," was the text of a series of resolutions adopted by a special meeting of the executive committee of the Boston central branch of the United Irish league.

The attitude of the central branch of the league on the proposed treaty was determined upon nearly a week ago, but it was decided to await the views of the national president of the organization, John F. Finerty of Chicago, before making the matter public. To-day President Finerty telegraphed his views that strong action against the proposed Anglo-American treaty is called for the interest of America.

CIVIL SERVICE

LIST OF EXAMINATIONS ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION.

By order of the Civil Service Commissioners, competitive examinations of applicants for positions in the classified service will be held as follows:

At the State House, Boston, for the service of the Commonwealth:

January 2, 1905—Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 3, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 4, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 5, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 6, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; January 10, Foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, schedule B, class 6; January 11, Sub-foremen, schedule B, class 7; February 28, Metropolitan park police, schedule B, class 1; March 1, Prison service, watchmen, turnkeys, etc., schedule B, class 1; April 4, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 1; April 5, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 2; April 11, Stenographer-typewriters, schedule A, class 4; April 17, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 18, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 20, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 21, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; April 24, Civil engineers, schedule B, class 13; May 2, Foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, schedule B, class 6; May 4; Sub-foremen, schedule B, class 7; Sept. 26, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 1; Sept. 28, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 2; October 3, Stenographer-typewriters, schedule A, class 4.

At City Hall, Lowell, for the service of said city:

March 2, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 1; March 3, Clerks, messengers, schedule A, class 2; March 6, Foremen of laborers, inspectors of work, schedule B, class 6; March 6, Schoolhouse janitors, schedule B, class 11; March 29, Police, schedule B, class 3.

Blank applications can be obtained by applying to Charles H. Conant, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Civil Service Examiners for Lowell and when filled out, if for city service, should be filed with him.

Applications for Commonwealth service should be sent to the Commissioners' office, Room 152 State House, Boston.

In order to receive a notice to appear at any of the above-scheduled examinations, applications should have their applications on file at least one week before the date set for the examination.

STATE MILITIA

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS MAY ORDER ITS MOBILIZATION.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The Herald today says:

The mobilization of the state militia next summer is being contemplated by Gov.-elect William L. Douglas and his military advisors. It has been some years since all of the infantry regiments and other arms of service have been brought together in Boston for a grand parade before the commander-in-chief and it is said that this is one of the items on Lieut. General Nelson A. Miles' program as chief of staff.

Gen. Miles left last night for Washington. He expects to return a few days prior to inauguration and will probably attend that function.

STABBED TEACHER

TERROR OF "HELL'S KITCHEN" USED PENKNIFE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Just as the class was being dismissed at 3 p. m. yesterday, 12-year-old Herbert Carson of 343 West 38th street leaped upon a teacher, Michael B. Sharlett, and stabbed him in the neck with a penknife in public school 51 on West 41th st.

The assault was witnessed by other pupils and as the news ran through the school a panic was narrowly averted by cool-headed teachers. The boy's knife made a wound three-fourths of an inch deep. Carson was arrested and locked up.

The school is in "Hell's Kitchen." Its teachers say that Carson is the terror of the neighborhood.

OPEN THIS EVENING OPEN THIS EVENING

PUTNAM & SON CO., 166 Central St.

WE have had the largest December business and the largest Christmas business that the house has recorded in fifty-six years. The articles advertised today are so worthy, the assortments so complete and so interesting, while recent price adjustments have made them so exceptionally attractive, that we believe today's and tomorrow's sales will be the largest the house has ever entered.

Five Hundred Boys' Overcoats for Christmas

A splendid collection of handsome overcoats for boys from 3 years to 16, at the smallest prices ever named for strictly new, stylish garments.

Some of these overcoats have just been bought at far less than value for this occasion—others are the remainders of quick selling lots that have been reduced two and three dollars in price.

Remarkable overcoat selling in our boys' department has made these prices possible.

Overcoats for Boys, 3 years to 9. Pretty Russian coats, with half belt back, velvet collar and military buttons. All made double breasted, regularly $3.00 and $2.50, for Christmas **$2.00**

Splendid Overcoats, all wool frieze, in blue and oxford, to fit boys 10 years to 16—regulation length overcoats, finely tailored, smart cut, with silk velvet collars, twenty-five of these that sold for $5.00 and $6.00—marked for Christmas **$3.50**

Long Tourist Overcoats, made from handsome Scotch cheviots, cut long to come to the boy's ankle—half belt back—and single or double breast, and also Tourists in plain and fancy friezes, sizes from 8 years to 16—and repriced for Christmas, $10, $8, $5 and **$3.50**

Handsome Overcoats for Men

Rich Silk Lined Overcoats, from Rogers, Peet & Co. Superb garments, were $40.00, reduced for Christmas to **$30**

2 Lots of Rogers-Peet's Overcoats, that sold up to yesterday for $30.00 and $32.00, are now reduced to **$25**

Tourist Overcoats of Stunning Scotch Cheviots, long swagger garments, with half belt in the back. The best style Tourists that money can buy. Three small lots that were $25 are now **$20**

Entirely New Lots of Tourist Overcoats, bought for Christmas selling. Our stock of moderate priced Tourists was sold out. We have half a dozen new numbers, in men's and young men's sizes—52 inches long, half belt back—fresh styles in Tourists today **$10**

We Have Sold More Umbrellas

so far this season than we ever sold during a whole holiday period before. It's easy enough to understand why. A splendid collection of silk and carola umbrellas, with beautiful handles, has been offered at a third less than actual value. Every umbrella is new, perfect, has case and tassel and goes out neatly boxed.

Men's Fine Carola and Silk Umbrellas, with new and artistic style of handle, worth from $1.50 to $6.00,

For 98c, $1.50, $2 up to $4

Women's Silk Umbrellas, with handsome silver trimmed, pearl, ivory and sterling silver handles, worth from $2.00 to $6.00,

For $1.25, $1.50, $2 up to $4

Children's Umbrellas, plain and trimmed handles, cotton, carola and silk covers,

From 39c to $1.25

Men's House Coats and Bath Wraps

A handsome collection of these desirable and useful garments, cut and made by clothing manufacturers, so that style and fit are assured.

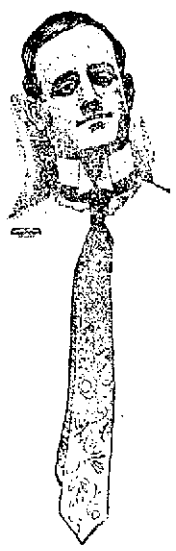
The House Coats are of plain cloths or cloths of solid color with plaid back, the collar and cuffs contrasting with the plain body color of the coat,

$4, $5, $6 and $7

Men's Bath Wraps, made full and long as a wrap should be made, in new and effective patterns,

$5 to $15

Boys' Bath Wraps, to fit boys 10 years of age to 16. No more useful present for the youngster, **$4.00**



Rich Neckwear

Two thousand as handsome silk scarfs as were ever shown. Here is a display of beautiful neckwear gathered especially for our great Christmas trade—and bought at a very great reduction on account of our large purchase. Large English Squares, of rich heavy silk, new French Four-in-Hands, 2 3-4 inches wide. The very newest shape—ties that would regularly retail for $1, we have secured for our Christmas trade and offer for **50c**

Elegant Neckwear

An entirely new collection of the most expensive silks, in large English Squares, for dress, and in the very wide French Four-in-Hands. The finest neckwear we have ever shown for Christmas, **$1.00**

Men's Fine Silk Suspenders 50c

Here is a notable collection of Silk Suspenders—a thousand pairs of the handsomest webbing you ever saw. The coloring and designs are the freshest ideas that have come from the looms the present year. The suspenders are all finished with white Japanese leather and have mounts of strictly new designs, gold plated and enameled. Each pair is in a handsome box and you'll not find elsewhere for a dollar, as good and handsome silk suspenders as these we offer for **50c**

500 Pairs Boys' Pretty Suspenders

These are all made full length, to fit boys up to 16 years of age. The designs and coloring in the webbing are entirely new—all have fine white leather ends. Each pair in a neat box—price **25c**

Here's the Best Collection in Lowell of Everything Boys Wear and Priced the Cheapest for Good Durable Things

Belt back long Overcoats, for boys 8 years to 16,	$3.50 to $8.00	Leather Gloves, lined,	19c to 45c
Small Boys' Overcoats,	$2.00 to $6.00	Dress Gloves,	75c to $1.25
Suits, for small boys,	$1.50 to $6.00	Handkerchiefs, boxed,	for 10c to 25c
Suits, for large boys,	$2.00 to $8.00	Suspenders, boxed,	25c
New Winter Caps,	25c to 50c	Silk Bows,	10c to 23c
New Tams,	35c to $1.00	Four-in-Hands,	23c
Toques,	35c to 50c	Windsor Scarfs,	10 to 25c
Sweaters,	45c to $1.50	Umbrellas,	39c to $1.25
Underwear,	19c to 63c	Sleeve Links,	25c to 50c
Wool Gloves,	20c to 45c	Scarf Pins,	25c to 50c
Wool Mitts,	8c to 20c	Bath Wraps,	$4.00

PUTNAM & SON CO., 166 Central St.

BOTH INDICTED

Dr. Chadwick Will be Arrested

FORGERY IS THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM

Third True Bill Against His Wife

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his wife, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, were jointly indicted by the county grand jury yesterday afternoon on the charge of having forged and uttered a $5,000,000 note signed Andrew Carnegie.

Dr. Chadwick is now on his way to New York from Paris and is expected to land next Wednesday. As soon as the indictment was returned Sheriff Barry of this county made arrangements to secure Dr. Chadwick's extradition. He will meet the steamer on its arrival.

This is the third time that Mrs. Chadwick has been indicted by the county grand jury, but it is the first instance of her husband's name appearing in legal proceedings in the case. The indictments already returned against Mrs Chadwick are similar to the one voted yesterday, except that they cover notes of $250,000 and $500,000 signed Andrew Carnegie.

Mrs. Chadwick, when informed yesterday afternoon of the action of the grand jury, appeared not the least concerned, and only asked if any one else had been indicted, mentioning the name of a person who has figured in the case to some extent.

She declined to make any comment, saying:

"It will do me no good to discuss my affairs in the newspapers. There has been so much misrepresentation that I have decided to do no further talking, and I am also acting on the advice of my attorney in this respect."

The grand jury's action was somewhat unexpected. It was thought at first but its report would be made Saturday. Prosecutor Keeler counted on a delay in securing the necessary papers for Dr. Chadwick's return, and feared that the steamship on which he is a passenger possibly might arrive before they were secured. The vote was then taken and the indictment returned.

Sheriff Barry then arranged to obtain the requisition from Gov. Herrick of Ohio, and will leave Sunday night for Albany, N. Y., to obtain extradition papers from Gov. Odell. Dr. Chadwick, it is expected, will not resist returning to Cleveland.

"There are many things which Dr. Chadwick will have to explain, and I hope he will do so," said prosecutor Keeler yesterday afternoon. "Dr and Mrs. Chadwick may be tried on the indictment separately or together. Each has a right to trial singly if it is desired. The jurors will finish their work Saturday.

"The Chadwick investigation so far as this jury is concerned is ended. But I cannot say that this concludes our inquiry into this matter. It is possible that there may be other developments."

The grand jury has spent more than two weeks in this investigation of the Chadwick affair. It is understood that it was mainly on the testimony of Pres. Beckwith of the Citizens' national bank of Oberlin, which failed recently, that the jurors voted to indict Dr. Chadwick.

A number of persons whose names have frequently appeared in connection with the case went before the jury at various times to give testimony.

Mrs. Chadwick was in better health yesterday than she has been for some time. Her only visitors are her attorneys and occasionally her son, Emil Hoover, who Sheriff Barry has now allowed to see her, contrary to the jail rules, if the boy desires.

Nathan Loeser, receiver for the Chadwick property, who is trying to locate assets for the benefit of creditors, said yesterday that he had obtained information concerning the whereabouts of the trunk and satchel belonging to Mrs. Chadwick, which were taken from the Holland house in New York during her stay there. He expects to recover them, but does not know if they contain valuables.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FELL FROM WAGON

MARTIN FAHEY SUSTAINED SEVERE GASH OVER THE EYE.

Martin Fahey, residing at 101 Tremont street, fell from a wagon last evening and sustained a bad wound over his right eye. The man was intoxicated at the time and Officer Daniel C. Donovan picked him from the ground when he fell.

Owing to the loss of blood and the condition of the man it was thought that he was suffering from concussion of the brain at first. He was taken to the police station in the patrol wagon and City Physician Smith was summoned. Five stitches were taken in the wound and Fahey was booked for drunkenness.

COASTING ACCIDENTS

YOUNG PEOPLE IN CENTRALVILLE SEVERELY HURT.

Two coasting accidents occurred on Fay's hill on the top of Chelsfian hill in Centralville a few days ago, in which a number of young people were painfully injured.

Among those injured are Miss Mollie Munn, daughter of F. C. Munn, 126 Methuen street, who had a tooth knocked out and her upper lip bruised; Miss Marion Bill, daughter of F. M. Bill, corner of Methuen and Eleventh streets, right arm sprained and body scratched, and Carl Bicknell, residing in Eleventh street, right arm broken and scalp lacerated. The toboggan hit an unseen rock and was smashed to pieces, the occupants being thrown with great force.

In the second accident were Guy Stevenson of Beacon street and Everett Shaw of Pawtucketville, and two young ladies, also of Pawtucketville, in this case the double-runner on which the young people were coasting, also struck a rock, smashing it to splinters. Fortunately none of the occupants were severely injured.

Goods at low prices, Oriental Bazaar.

WOMAN KILLED

Rapid Fire Gun Cartridge Cartridge Exploded

DETROIT, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Thomas E. Barnes was killed yesterday in her home at 253 Pine street, by the explosion of a "one-pounder" rapid fire gun cartridge which it is supposed she was using for a hammer in the Christmas preparations for her two baby girls.

How the explosion occurred is not definitely known as she was alone with the children, but it is said by friends that Mrs. Barnes had used the cartridge for a hammer at other times. The cartridge had been in the possession of the Barnes family for some time and is said to have been given to Mrs. Barnes by her brother, William Mayhew, a gunner in the U. S. navy.

The woman's right hand was torn off at the wrist, her left hand was mutilated and part of the cartridge penetrated her breast and lodged in her heart and lungs.

OLD LAW INVOKED

DOGS AND CATS CLASSED AS WILD ANIMALS.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Considerable interest is shown in the case of William E. Willis, a South End dog fancier, who is charged by Alice E. Williams with stealing from her two dogs which she values at $30.

When the case was called by Judge Parmenter in the first session of the municipal criminal court yesterday afternoon, Lawyer Mulvey for the defence made a motion to have the larceny complaint quashed on the ground that dogs unlicensed and uncollared are not property according to the common law, and therefore not subject to larceny.

Mr. Mulvey spoke for some minutes and then Judge Parmenter suggested that he submit a brief to the court Dec. 29, giving his reasons for asking that the complaint be quashed.

The contention raised by Mulvey is based on an old law, which classes dogs and cats as wild animals. The dogs alleged to have been stolen were not licensed, because they were only six weeks old. As to licensed dogs which are kept in confinement the laws protect owners from theft, but when a complaint is made by one party accusing another of stealing a licensed dog the complaint must say that the dog was duly licensed, etc. Dogs and cats that have become dimesticated are protected by law while they remain confined, but the minute they are given their freedom their owners lose the right of protection.

An assault charge has also been preferred against Willis.

JURORS GAVE $100

GIFT FOR GIRL WHO HAD BEEN ACQUITTED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—The spectators in the court of general sessions yesterday cheered when the jury returned a verdict of acquittal for Clara Adler, aged 18, who was accused of killing her baby.

The members of the jury took up a subscription and gave $100 to the defendant whom they had just set free.

Miss Adler admitted that the child had died of benzine asphyxiation, but asserted that the poison fell into the child's mouth by accident when the mother attempted to commit suicide by drinking it. Miss Adler thought it was carbolic acid. Her friend knocked the bottle from her lips as she was about to drink.

Judge Newburger fully concurred in the verdict.

FOR THE STRIKERS

A CONCERT TO BE HELD FOR THEIR BENEFIT.

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor council held last evening arrangements were made for a concert to be held at Associate hall for the benefit of the Fall River strikers. The concert will be held Sunday, Jan. 15. All donations will be received by Michael Duggan and he also has been selected the only authorized solicitor of advertising for a souvenir program for the event. A meeting of the general committee in charge of the concert will be held next Wednesday evening at 32 Middle street. Tickets can be secured from Miss McMullen at 32 Middle street.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FOREFATHERS NIGHT.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Forefathers Night was observed by the Congregational club of Boston in Tremont Temple last night. The speakers were Henry C. King of Oberlin college; George R. Jones, president of the state senate; Rev. Cornelius H. Patton, home secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions, and President Sylvester B. Carter of the club. A reception was held followed by a banquet in the evening.

A Reminder to Our Customers

WILLIAM A. BLOCK

The Original Prescott Street Jeweler at No. 14, (Fourth Store From Merrimack Square)

Now showing the greatest and largest display of holiday goods at the lowest prices that were ever exhibited for the past eight seasons. Gold and Silver Watches, Diamond Rings, Chains, Lockets, Bracelets, etc.

A glance in our windows will convince you. Come all and come early.

William A. Block, 14 Prescott St.

NOTICE—Do not be misled; we have no connection with any other jewelry company in the city.

ADAMS

A gift that is inexpensive is no hardship to the giver. We have many low priced articles in furniture that are useful and would be an acceptable gift.

India Stools - 88c to $1.25
Blacking Boxes - $1 to $4.50
Child's Morris Chair - $2 to $4
Child's Rockers - 75c to $2.50
Rattan Work Baskets $2.25 to $4
Carpet Sweeper - - - - $2.50
Folding Screens - 90c to $9
Magazine Stands - - $2 to $13
Bath Room Hampers - - - - $2

Adams & Co.

Furniture --- Rugs --- Carpets

Appleton Bank Block, 174 Central St.

WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleaned

The first horses in New England were introduced into Massachusetts in 1629 or 1630.

The new 2.10 trotters of 1904 were made up of eighteen geldings, eight mares and five stallions.

Daniel A. Messner, of Oxford, Ind., the breeder of Dan Patch, 1.56, has an own brother and sister to the champion.

Lady Rivers, the dam of Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, was eleven years old when the fastest race mare of 1904 was foaled.

Alcander, 2.20½, had five new standard performers in 1904 and seven others reduced their records, all being pacers.

Thomas Sharkey, the pugilist, is said to be the purchaser of Oak Blossom, 2.12½. She will be shipped to England and raced.

Breeders were not nearly as anxious to get the Electioneer and Wilkes blood when those animals were alive as they are today.

During the season of 1904 on the Grand Circuit Geers won $47,609, divided as follows. He won 28 firsts, 18 seconds, 15 thirds, 14 fourths and was unplaced 31 times.

Hambletonian 10, the horse to which there is the greatest number of pedigree crosses, was by a 26-year-old sire. Mambrino Chief was by a 23-year-old sire; the sire of Black Hawk was 24; Electioneer was by a 19-year-old sire and Crescens sire was 22 when the champion's dam was served.

From what his get have done it appears that McKinley, 2.11¼, is preeminently a sire of fast mares and geldings, as he has two daughters and three gelded sons in the 2.10 trotting list, besides three mares and one gelding in the 2.10 pacing list. His entire sons in the 2.10 list are one trotter and one pacer.

A peculiar instance exists in the breeding of the four sensational colts trotters of the past season: Grace Bond, 2.09¾, Alta Axworthy, 2.10½, Lou Voyage, 2.15, and Jack Axworthy, 2.15¼. The fact is, not one of them is out of a developed dam but that each and all of them have developed grand dams.

Of the few undefeated champions Dan Patch is certainly the king of kings, as nineteen encounters covering three campaigns, he headed the summary in every instance. The only other champion that approaches him in this respect is the ex-queen of trotters, Nancy Hanks, who was victorious in all her fifteen battles.

Don't use an unsound horse or mare for breeding purposes, if that unsoundness is a source of mental anguish or torture to them, for the prenatal suggestion may have a bad effect on the foal. Wait until conditions are again normal or as nearly right as possible and many disappointments will be avoided.

When a colt appears to be cockle jointed examine the feet carefully for thrush. Colts that are suffering from this form of foot disease often give notice of it in that manner. The feet of colts that are stabled need constant care. They should be cleaned carefully with a foot pick every day, and afterwards washed with clean water. They should be kept level by means of a rasp, and the toes prevented from becoming too long by use of that instrument.

Casper L. Redfield in the Christmas Horseman says: "With all due respect to Sweet Marie, I am inclined to think that Grace Bond is the most remarkable trotter of the year. She gets into the 2.10 list at the age of three, whereas Sweet Marie does not get there until eight. Her pedigree is one of exceptional strength from the development standpoint. While neither her sire nor her dam has a record this is a mere technicality. Both were in fast races before Grace Bond was produced."

An authority on the horse writes that when a horse is gelded while young he never acquires the stallion characteristics. He inherits everything which characterized the youth of his sire but the gelding process acts him off from inheriting the nature stallion form. In the same way the gelding process cuts him off from inheriting the dynamic development which his sire acquired in his matured years. He inherits only that acquired development which his sire got while a colt. It follows from this that developing a stallion while he is young improves him as a sire of geldings, and developing when he is mature improves him as a sire of stallions.

The first 2.10 performer was Johnston in October, 1883, who in an exhibition against time paced a mile in 2.10. The first 2.10 trotter did not appear until August, 1884, when Jay Eye See trotted a mile at Providence, R. I., in just 2.10. The next day Maud S. trotted a mile in 2.09¾. In 1884 Johnston paced in 2.06¼. With the exception of Maud S., reducing her record in 1885 to 2.08¾, there were no records reduced or new 2.10 performers until 1890 when three pacers appeared: Roy Wilkes, 2.08¼, Hal Pointer, 2.09¾; and Cricket, 2.10. In 1891 there were five trotters and one pacer. In 1892 the bike sulky was used extensively and 6 trotters and 14 pacers were added to the list. In 1893 there were 10 more trotters and 15 pacers and in 1894 it was 16 trotters and 23 pacers. In 1895 it was 13 trotters and 51 pacers. In 1896 there were 8 trotters and 40 pacers. In 1897, 18 trotters and 48 pacers. In 1898 20 trotters and 41 pacers. In 1899, 18 trotters and 52 pacers. In 1900, 15 trotters and 64 pacers. In 1901 there were 11 trotters and 49 pacers. In 1902 there were 29 trotters and 68 pacers. In 1903, 26 trotters came along and 70 pacers, while the past season has seen the banner season of them all with 31 trotters and 72 pacers. All told there is over 800 performers now in the 2.10 list and the growth will soon be 100 per year. It would not be surprising to have the "select circle" placed at 2.05 and even then the increase in number would soon assume goodly proportions.

Of the 255 drivers who took part in the Grand Circuit 154 won money while 101 were out their time and entrance money. Eleven drivers won $10,000 or more, Geers heading the list with $47,609 to his credit. The next in the list is DeRyder with $38,723; then Andrews with $29,700, and Spear with $26,925. Snow won $24,405; Thomas, $20,292; Leo McDonald, $15,290; Hudson, $15,180; Alta McDonald, $14,375; Robert Smith, $12,900; and Havers James, $10,000.

HENRY O'MEARA DEAD.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of Henry O'Meara, for many years a Boston newspaper man and writer of poetry. For some time he was a co-worker with John Boyle O'Reilly. He was born in Newfoundland 54 years ago. Mr. O'Meara was a brother of Stephen O'Meara, formerly managing editor of the Boston Journal.

STEAMER STRANDED

THE ADMIRAL DEWEY ASHORE NEAR PORT MORANT.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 23—The United Fruit company's steamer Admiral Dewey went ashore Wednesday night at the entrance of Port Morant harbor. The wrecking steamer Premier has gone to her assistance.

The same company's steamer Buckman lost her propeller by grounding at Ocho Dios, and was towed to Port Antonio by the Dumoir. It is feared that the damage cannot be repaired here and that the Buckman wil lbe obliged to proceed to Newport News in tow.

The Admiral Dewey sailed from Boston Wednesday morning, Dec. 14, for Jamaican ports, carrying out a number of tourists from New England.

Among the passengers were Dr. J. Henry Wood of Brookline, Miss A. H. Tucker and Miss Juliet Porter of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haskell of Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. James Hipburn of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Chaney of Salem, Mrs. E. M. Haskell of Providence, Miss Bertha S. Barrar, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maxwell of Saugus, Caleb Holyoke of Bangor, Charles M. Robbins of Attleboro, John Young of Swampscott, Joseph O. Wellington and Charles W. Winns of Arlington, Mrs. Lizzie Noyes of Haverhill, W. A. Frost, L. C. Wasson, Charles Thompson and W. H. Ryerson of this city.

New Xmas goods. Oriental Bazaar.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Lieutenant Governor Guild will address the Lincoln club at its annual dinner, Feb. 13.

City Treasurer Stiles will tack the $1014 loan order recently passed by the city council on to the bigger loan about to be made, as he did not like to borrow so small an amount.

Christmas Hints to Late Buyers—from

The Merrimack

To the woman who has not finished her Christmas shopping or has been disappointed in securing just what she wanted, and to the man who has, as usual, put off the buying to the last minute, let us say:—

The Christmas stocks at the Merrimack are practically intact—you'll find good choosing in fine wearables for men, women and boys—arranged to good advantage to allow careful selecting—with prompt attention from our salespeople.

Save the following list for reference:

GIFTS FOR MEN

House Coats and Bath Robes

We hear it repeatedly: "Why, you have the finest line in town," and we're not disparaging our neighbors—but we've laid ourselves out on these fine house garments, and will leave the decision to you. All we ask, if you're interested in these garments, is that you give us an opportunity of showing you.

Strong Lines at

$3.75, $5, $7.50 $9 and $10

Neckwear .....25c to $1.50
Gloves .....25c to $4.50
Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $5.00
Rain Coats .....$10.00 to $20.00
Fancy Vests.....$1.00 to $4.00
Sweaters .....$1.00 to $5.00
Cardigan Jackets.....$1.00 to $4.50
E. & W. Collars..... $2.75 per Doz.
Scarf Pins.....25c to $2.00
Cuff Buttons.....25c to $2.00
Suspenders .....25c to $2.00

Handkerchiefs .....5c to $1.00
Suit Cases.....$1.50 to $9.00
Leather Bags.....$4.50 to $10.00
Mufflers .....50c to $2.50
Dress Shields.....$1.00 to $3.00
Arm Elastics.....15c to 75c
Night Robes .....50c to $1.50
Pajamas .....$1.00 to $3.00
Fancy Shirts.....$1.00 to $3.00
Fancy Hose, per pair.....25c to 50c
Seal Skin Caps, pieced.....$4.00

GIFTS FOR WOMEN

Fur Muffs and Neck Pieces. The reputation of the Merrimack is back of every fur piece—the selections are choice including the most wanted shapes, and the skins are the best of their kind—the prices are 25 per cent. below the regular furrier's.

Fur Neck Pieces.....$5.00 to $42.50
Fur Muffs.....$5.98 to $25.00
Fur Lined Coats.....$25.00 to $30.00
Bath Robes.....$3.00 to $6.00
Dressing Sacques.....65c to 98c
Rain Coats .....$10.00 to $25.00
Dainty Neckwear.....25c to $3.00
Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $7.00

Hosiery .....25c to $1.00
Silk Waists.....$5.00 to $12.00
Wool Waists.....$1.50 to $5.00
Cotton Waists.....$1.00 to $3.00
Silk Petticoats.....$5.00 to $10.00
Black Petticoats.....$1.00 to $3.00
Sweaters .....$1.50 to $2.50

GIFTS FOR BOYS

A Suit or Overcoat or Reefer would be a welcome Christmas Gift to any lad—it doesn't take so much money either. Suits, Overcoats and Reefers here in guaranteed qualities at $3 and up, or

Woolen Blouses.....50c to $1.50
Sweaters and Wescuts.....50c to $2.50
Fancy Vests..... $1.50
Woolen Gloves and Mittens, 10c to 45c
Kid Gloves .....50c to $1.00

Silk Neckwear.....12½c to 25c
Flannelette Night Robes..... 50c
Angora Toques..... 50c
Camel Hair Tams.....38c to 59c

The Merrimack Clothing Company

ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DEATHS

STILES—Joseph White Stiles, Jr., captain of company F, High school regiment, died at his home, 1 Dutton street, yesterday. He had been ill only since Monday, appendicitis having been the direct cause of death.

He attended school last Monday and appeared to be in the best of spirits and was even after reaching home, but during the afternoon he complained of being ill and his condition became so that a physician was called in. An examination proved that he was suffering from appendicitis, but as it was considered a mild case it was not deemed necessary to have an operation performed.

He was but seventeen years of age, though was on his last year at the high school and was one of the brightest students in the school. He was very well liked both by the teachers and students and was very popular.

The young man is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stiles. He was their only son. Mr. Stiles is foreman in the machine shop on the Merrimack.

MEEHAN—Edward Meehan, aged 55 years, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 297 Middlesex street. He is survived by a wife. The remains were taken to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

GOLDEN—Mrs. Mary Golden, widow of the late Luke Golden, a well known and respected resident of Lowell for 54 years, and a much esteemed member of St. Michael's church, died this morning at the Massachusetts General hospital, aged 72 years. The body was brought to Lowell and later removed to her late home, 37 W. Fifth street by Undertaker James W. McKenna. She is survived by one niece, Miss Mary A. Golden. Funeral notice later.

Miss Martha Monette of Manchester, N. H., is the guest of Misses Therese and Blanche Roussin.

FUNERALS

GOWARD—The funeral of Mrs. Martha A. Goward was held from her home, 274 Appleton street, Wednesday afternoon. Services of an impressive nature were held at the house, Rev. George W. Bicknell of Cambridge officiating. The bearers were members of the family and burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Undertaker J. W. Brooks had charge.

CHURCHILL—The funeral of the late Mrs. Athalinda Churchill was held yesterday afternoon from her residence, 192 Wentworth avenue. Services of an impressive nature were conducted at the house by Rev. R. A. Greene and Mr. Harry Stocks and Mrs. Pepin sang the following selections: "When the Mists Have Rolled Away", "Lead, Kindly Light," and "Abide With Me." The bearers were Harlan P. Goodell, James G. Marshall, Lewis A. Pierce and George W. Randall. The floral offerings were numerous and evidenced the esteem in which deceased was held by her many acquaintances. Burial was in the Edson cemetery, Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck had charge.

WOODMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Phoebe A. Woodman was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from her home in Tyngsboro. Services were conducted by Rev. S. A. Dixon and later the body was sent to Franklin Falls, N. H., for burial by Undertakers Young & Co.

BORG—The funeral of Thor E. S. Borg took place yesterday afternoon, services being held at St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. L. C. Manchester officiating. The bearers were members of Pentucket lodge of Masons and they performed their services at the tomb in the Edson cemetery. Undertakers Young & Co. had charge.

CONLON—The funeral of James B. Conlon will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the home and 10 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church, where a solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated.

BON MARCHE JUNGLE.

There are only two more days to witness the thrilling act of Mme. Schell with her wonderful troupe of performing lions, at this popular resort. See her today and avoid the crowd which is sure to be on hand Saturday. This week for the special benefit of early shoppers down town in the morning, the doors are opened at 10 o'clock and the fun is fast and furious till 10 at night. Stage performance every hour. Entertaining lectures on habits and origin of all birds and animals, and free rides on the donkeys for the little folks.

BOWLING NEWS

In the Cosmopolitan Duck Pin league series the old-time rivals, the Mohairs and Buntings played a very interesting and well contested game, the score being 1316 to 1297 in favor of the former team. For Mohairs, Harriman was high single and high total and for the Buntings Simpson carried off the same honors.

Points—Mohairs 5, Buntings 0.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Fairmounts	34	11	.756
Brownies	32	13	.711
Mohairs	25	20	.556
Belvidres	16	29	.356
Buntings	15	30	.333
Belmonts	14	31	.312

Y. M. C. A. BOX BALL.

The game last night between the Dromedaries and Buffaloes was full of ginger from start to finish. At the end of the first string the Buffaloes led by a single pin but when the second string was totaled the Dromedaries were 10 pins in the lead. The Buffaloes, however, seemed to have gotten their second wind and the close of the third found them the winners by 57 pins. Tomorrow night the Crocodiles and Porcupines come together.

The score:

BUFFALOES.

A. B. Hobbs	125	119	130	374
John Grant	137	136	120	393
C. McDonald	129	116	118	363
J. E. Donohoe	114	138	112	364
J. Johnston, sub	117	100	143	360
Totals	622	609	623	1854

DROMEDARIES.

A. Myrick	140	124	124	388
M. Macdonald	146	128	115	389
R. Bixby	111	101	101	313
F. Ginty	110	132	108	350
W. Quinlan	114	125	108	347
Totals	621	650	505	1797

Spares—H. Macdonald 3, Johnson 2, Donohoe, Grant.

WRESTLING NOTES

Many sports would like to see Austin Callery in a good bout with some light weight for they argue that Callery is one of the coming men in the business.

Wilfred Barrette has posted $25 with The Sun for a match for $100 a side with James Prokos, the Greek, to take place four weeks hence.

Charles Rodgers of Fall River, through his manager, Joseph Johnson, has written the sporting editor of The Sun for a match in this city. He wants a go with Callery.

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The personal property is, in part as follows: One pair bay work horses, weigh about 2000 pounds; 1 bay driving horse, weighs 1050, six years old, sound, kind and a good driver; 2 cows and 3 heifers, one of the cows just calved, young and a big milker; about 60 swine, all prize winners; very fine boar from Whipple farm, has taken three first premiums. The pigs are from 2 to 9 months old. A very fine lot. About 50 tons of the best hay and some fodder.

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Everybody can be fully supplied here with handkerchiefs: men's, women's and children's. Men's and Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c Each, 6 in a box $1.35—Women's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box, 50c—Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, the best value in Lowell, 25c—Men's Silk Mufflers, black and white, our leader, for 50c.

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Silk Beaded Collars, all colors, boxed, 25c.
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Pin Cushions, lace trimmed, 25c, 39c, 59c and $1.00.
Fancy Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, 25c.
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Women's Hosiery
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Women's Hose, lace ankle and all-over laces, all colors, from 50c to $1.50 Pair.
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BOTH INDICTED

Dr. Chadwick Will be Arrested

FORGERY IS THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM

Third True Bill Against His Wife

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his wife, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, were jointly indicted by the county grand jury yesterday afternoon on the charge of having forged and uttered a $5,000,000 note signed Andrew Carnegie.

Dr. Chadwick is now on his way to New York from Paris and is expected to land next Wednesday. As soon as the indictment was returned Sheriff Barry of this county made arrangements to secure Dr. Chadwick's extradition. He will meet the steamer on its arrival.

This is the third time that Mrs. Chadwick has been indicted by the county grand jury, but it is the first instance of her husband's name appearing in legal proceedings in the case. The indictments already returned against Mrs. Chadwick are similar to the one voted yesterday, except that they cover notes of $250,000 and $500,000 signed Andrew Carnegie.

Mrs. Chadwick, when informed yesterday afternoon of the action of the grand jury, appeared not the least concerned, and only asked if any one else had been indicted, mentioning the name of a person who has figured in the case to some extent.

She declined to make any comment, saying:

"It will do me no good to discuss my affairs in the newspapers. There has been so much misrepresentation that I have decided to do no further talking, and I am also acting on the advice of my attorney in this respect."

The grand jury's action was somewhat unexpected. It was thought at first that its report would be made Saturday. Prosecutor Keeler counted on a delay in securing the necessary papers for Dr. Chadwick's return, and feared that the steamship on which he is a passenger possible might arrive before they were secured. The vote was then taken and the indictment returned.

Sheriff Barry then arranged to obtain the requisition from Gov. Herrick of Ohio, and will leave Sunday night for Albany, N. Y., to obtain extradition papers from Gov. Odell. Dr. Chadwick, it is expected, will not resist returning to Cleveland.

"There are many things which Dr. Chadwick will have to explain, and I hope he will do so," said prosecutor Keeler yesterday afternoon. "Dr and Mrs. Chadwick may be tried on the indictment separately or together. Each has a right to trial singly if it is desired. The jurors will finish their work Saturday.

"The Chadwick investigation so far as this jury is concerned is ended. But I cannot say that this concludes our inquiry into this matter. It is possible that there may be other developments."

The grand jury has spent more than two weeks in this investigation of the Chadwick affair. It is understood that it was mainly on the testimony of Pres. Beckwith of the Citizens' national bank of Oberlin, which failed recently, that the jurors voted to indict Dr. Chadwick.

A number of persons whose names have frequently appeared in connection with the case went before the jury at various times to give testimony.

Mrs Chadwick was in better health yesterday than she has been for some time. Her only visitors are her attorneys and occasionally her son, Emil Hoover, who Sheriff Barry has now allowed to see her, contrary to the jail rules, if the boy desires.

Nathan Loeser, receiver for the Chadwick property, who is trying to locate assets for the benefit of creditors, said yesterday that he had obtained information concerning the whereabouts of the trunk and satchel belonging to Mrs. Chadwick, which were taken from the Holland house in New York during her stay there. He expects to recover them, but does not know if they contain valuables.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FELL FROM WAGON

MARTIN FAHEY SUSTAINED SEVERE GASH OVER THE EYE.

Martin Fahey, residing at 101 Tremont street, fell from a wagon last evening and sustained a bad wound over his right eye. The man was intoxicated at the time and Officer Daniel C. Donovan picked him from the ground when he fell.

Owing to the loss of blood and the condition of the man it was thought that he was suffering from concussion of the brain at first. He was taken to the police station in the patrol wagon and City Physician Smith was summoned. Five stitches were taken in the wound and Fahey was booked for drunkenness.

COASTING ACCIDENTS

YOUNG PEOPLE IN CENTRALVILLE SEVERELY HURT.

Two coasting accidents occurred on Fay's hill on the top of Christian hill in Centralville a few days ago, in which a number of young people were painfully injured.

Among those injured are Miss Mollie Munn, daughter of F. C. Munn, 126 Methuen street, who had a tooth knocked out and her upper lip bruised; Miss Marion Bill, daughter of F. M. Gill, corner of Methuen and Eleventh streets, right arm sprained and body scratched, and Carl Bicknell, residing in Eleventh street, right arm broken and scalp lacerated. The toboggan hit an unseen rock and was smashed to pieces, the occupants being thrown with great force.

In the second accident were Guy Stevenson of Beacon street and Everett Shaw of Pawtucketville and two young ladies, also of Pawtucketville, in this case the double-runner on which the young people were coasting, also struck a rock, smashing it to splinters. Fortunately none of the occupants were severely injured.

Goods at low prices, Oriental Bazaar.

WOMAN KILLED

Rapid Fire Gun Cartridge Cartridge Exploded

DETROIT, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Thomas E. Barnes was killed yesterday in her home at 253 Pine street, by the explosion of a "one-pounder" rapid fire gun cartridge which it is supposed she was using for a hammer in the Christmas preparations for her two baby girls.

How the explosion occurred is not definitely known as she was alone with the children, but it is said by friends that Mrs. Barnes had used the cartridge for a hammer at other times. The cartridge had been in the possession of the Barnes family for some time and is said to have been given to Mrs. Barnes by her brother, William Mayhew, a gunner in the U. S. navy.

The woman's right hand was torn off at the wrist, her left hand was mutilated and part of the cartridge penetrated her breast and lodged in her heart and lungs.

OLD LAW INVOKED

DOGS AND CATS CLASSED AS WILD ANIMALS.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Considerable interest is shown in the case of William E. Willis, a South End dog fancier, who is charged by Alice E. Williams with stealing from her two dogs which she values at $20.

When the case was called by Judge Parmenter in the first session of the municipal criminal court yesterday afternoon, Lawyer Mulvey for the defence made a motion to have the larceny complaint quashed on the ground that dogs unlicensed and unconfined are not property according to the common law, and therefore not subject to larceny.

Mr. Mulvey spoke for some minutes and then Judge Parmenter suggested that he submit a brief to the court Dec. 29, giving his reasons for asking that the complaint be quashed.

The contention raised by Mulvey is based on an old law, which classes dogs and cats as wild animals. The dogs alleged to have been stolen were not licensed, because they were only six weeks old. As to licensed dogs which are kept in confinement the laws protect owners from theft, but when a complaint is made by one party accusing another of stealing a licensed dog the complaint must say that the dog was duly licensed, etc. Dogs and cats that have become dimesticated are protected by law while they remain confined, but the minute they are given their freedom their owners lose the right of protection.

An assault charge has also been preferred against Willis.

JURORS GAVE $100

GIFT FOR GIRL WHO HAD BEEN ACQUITTED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—The spectators in the court of general sessions yesterday cheered when the jury returned a verdict of acquittal for Clara Adler, aged 18, who was accused of killing her baby.

The members of the jury took up a subscription and gave $100 to the defendant whom they had just set free.

Miss Adler admitted that the child had died of benzine asphyxiation, but asserted that the poison fell into the child's mouth by accident when the mother attempted to commit suicide by drinking it. Miss Adler thought it was carbolic acid. Her friend knocked the bottle from her lips as she was about to drink.

Judge Newburger fully concurred in the verdict.

FOR THE STRIKERS

A CONCERT TO BE HELD FOR THEIR BENEFIT.

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor council held last evening arrangements were made for a concert to be held at Associate hall for the benefit of the Fall River strikers. The concert will be held Sunday, Jan. 15. All donations will be received by Michael Duggan and he also has been selected the only authorized solicitor of advertising for a souvenir program for the event. A meeting of the general committee in charge of the concert will be held next Wednesday evening at 32 Middle street. Tickets can be secured from Miss McMullen at 32 Middle street.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FOREFATHERS NIGHT.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Forefathers Night was observed by the Congregational club of Boston in Tremont Temple last night. The speakers were Henry C. King of Oberlin college; George R. Jones, president of the state senate; Rev. Cornelius H. Patton, home secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions, and President Sylvester B. Carter of the club. A reception was held followed by a banquet in the evening.

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WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleaned

The first horses in New England were introduced into Massachusetts in 1629 or 1630.

The new 2.10 trotters of 1904 were made up of eighteen geldings, eight mares and five stallions.

Daniel A. Messner, of Oxford, Ind., the breeder of Dan Patch, 1.56, has an own brother and sister to the champion.

Lady Rivers, the dam of Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, was eleven years old when the fastest race mare of 1904 was foaled.

Alcander, 2.20½, had five new standard performers in 1904 and seven others reduced their records, all being pacers.

Thomas Sharkey, the pugilist, is said to be the purchaser of Oak Blossom, 2.12½. She will be shipped to England and raced.

Breeders were not nearly as anxious to get the Electioneer and Wilkes blood when those animals were alive as they are today.

During the season of 1904 on the Grand Circuit Geers won $47,609, divided as follows. He won 28 firsts, 18 seconds, 15 thirds, 14 fourths and was unplaced 31 times.

Humbletonian 10, the horse to which there is the greatest number of pedigree crosses, was by a 26-year-old sire. Mambrino Chief was by a 23-year-old sire; the sire of Black Hawk was 24; Electioneer was by a 19-year-old sire and Crescens sire was 22 when the champion's dam was served.

From what his get have done it appears that McKinley, 2.11¼, is preeminently a sire of fast mares and geldings, as he has two daughters and three gelded sons in the 2.10 trotting list, besides three mares and one gelding in the 2.10 pacing list. His entire sons in the 2.10 list are one trotter and one pacer.

A peculiar instance exists in the breeding of the four sensational colts trotters of the past season: Grace Bond, 2.09¼, Alta Axworthy, 2.10½, Lou Voyage, 2.15, and Jack Axworthy, 2.15¼. The fact is, not one of them is out of a developed dam but that each and all of them have developed grand dams.

Of the few undefeated champions Dan Patch is certainly the king of kings, as nineteen encounters covering three campaigns, he headed the summary in every instance. The only other champion that approaches him in this respect is the ex-queen of trotters, Nancy Hanks, who was victorious in all her fifteen battles.

Don't use an unsound horse or mare for breeding purposes, if that unsoundness is a source of mental anguish or torture to them, for the prenatal suggestion may have a bad effect on the foal. Wait until conditions are again normal or as nearly right as possible and many disappointments will be avoided.

When a colt appears to be cockle jointed examine the feet carefully for thrush. Colts that are suffering from this form of foot disease often give notice of it in that manner. The feet of colts that are stabled need constant care. They should be cleaned carefully with a foot pick every day, and afterwards washed with clean water. They should be kept level by means of a rasp, and the toes prevented from becoming too long by use of that instrument.

Casper L. Redfield in the Christmas Horseman says: "With all due respect to Sweet Marie, I am inclined to think that Grace Bond is the most remarkable trotter of the year. She gets into the 2.10 list at the age of three, whereas Sweet Marie does not get there until eight. Her pedigree is one of exceptional strength from the development standpoint. While neither her sire nor her dam has a record this is a mere technicality. Both were in fast races before Grace Bond was produced."

An authority on the horse writes that when a horse is gelded while young he never acquires the stallion characteristics. He inherits everything which characterized the youth of his sire but the gelding process acts him off from inheriting the nature stallion form. In the same way the gelding process cuts him off from inheriting the dynamic development which his sire acquired in his matured years. He inherits only that acquired development which his sire got while a colt. It follows from this that developing a stallion while he is young improves him as a sire of geldings, and developing when he is mature improves him as a sire of stallions.

The first 2.10 performer was Johnston in October, 1883, who in an exhibition against time paced a mile in 2.10. The first 2.10 trotter did not appear until August, 1884, when Jay Eye See trotted a mile at Providence, R. I., in just 2.10. The next day Maud S. trotted a mile in 2.09¾. In 1884 Johnston paced in 2.06¼. With the exception of Maud S., reducing her record in 1885 to 2.08¾, there were no records reduced or new 2.10 performers until 1890 when three pacers appeared: Roy Wilkes, 2.08¼, Hal Pointer, 2.09¾, and Cricket, 2.10. In 1891 there were five trotters and one pacer, in 1892 the bike sulky was used extensively and 6 trotters and 14 pacers were added to the list. In 1893 there were 10 more trotters and 16 pacers and in 1894 it was 10 trotters and 23 pacers. In 1895 it was 13 trotters and 51 pacers. In 1896 there were 8 trotters and 40 pacers. In 1897, 18 trotters and 48 pacers. In 1898 20 trotters and 41 pacers. In 1899, 18 trotters and 52 pacers. In 1900, 15 trotters and 64 pacers. In 1901 there were 11 trotters and 49 pacers. In 1902 there were 29 trotters and 68 pacers. In 1903, 26 trotters came along and 70 pacers, while the past season has seen the banner season of them all with 31 trotters and 72 pacers. All told there is over 800 performers now in the 2.10 list and the growth will soon be 100 per year. It would not be surprising to have the "select circle" placed at 2.06 and even then the increase in number would soon assume goodly proportions.

Of the 255 drivers who took part in the Grand Circuit 154 won money while 101 were out their time and entrance money. Eleven drivers won $10,000 or more, Geers heading the list with $47,609 to his credit. The next in the list is DeRyder with $38,723; then Andrews with $29,700, and Spear with $25,925. Snow won $24,405; Thomas, $20,292; Lon McDonald, $15,290; Hudson, $15,186; Alto McDonald, $14,375; Robert Smith, $12,900; and Havers James, $10,000.

HENRY O'MEARA DEAD.

BOSTON, Dec. 23. The death is announced of Henry O'Meara, for many years a Boston newspaper man and writer of poetry. For some time he was a co-worker with John Boyle O'Reilly. He was born in Newfoundland 54 years ago. Mr. O'Meara was a brother of Stephen O'Meara, formerly managing editor of the Boston Journal.

STEAMER STRANDED

THE ADMIRAL DEWEY ASHORE NEAR PORT MORANT.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 23—The United Fruit company's steamer Admiral Dewey went ashore Wednesday night at the entrance of Port Morant harbor. The wrecking steamer Premier has gone to her assistance.

The same company's steamer Buckman lost her propeller by grounding at Ocho Dios, and was towed to Port Antonio by the Dumois. It is feared that the damage cannot be repaired here and that the Buckman will ibe obliged to proceed to Newport News in tow.

The Admiral Dewey sailed from Boston Wednesday morning, Dec. 14, for Jamaican ports, carrying out a number of tourists from New England.

Among the passengers were Dr. J. Henry Wood of Brookline, Miss A. H. Tucker and Miss Juliet Porter of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haskell of Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. James Hipburn of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Chaney of Salem, Mrs. E. M. Haskell of Providence, Miss Bertha S. Barrar, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maxwell of Saugus, Caleb Holyoke of Bangor, Charles M. Robbins of Attleboro, John Young of Swampscott, Joseph O. Wellington and Charles W. Winns of Arlington, Mrs. Lizzie Noyes of Haverhill, W. A. Frost, L. C. Wasson, Charles Thompson and W. H. Ryerson of this city.

New Xmas goods, Oriental Bazaar.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Lieutenant Governor Guild will address the Lincoln club at its annual dinner, Feb. 13.

City Treasurer Stiles will tuck the $1014 loan order recently passed by the city council on to the bigger loan about to be made, as he did not like to borrow so small an amount.

Christmas Hints to Late Buyers—from

The Merrimack

To the woman who has not finished her Christmas shopping or has been disappointed in securing just what she wanted, and to the man who has, as usual, put off the buying to the last minute, let us say:—

The Christmas stocks at the Merrimack are practically intact—you'll find good choosing in fine wearables for men, women and boys—arranged to good advantage to allow careful selecting—with prompt attention from our salespeople.

Save the following list for reference:

GIFTS FOR MEN

House Coats and Bath Robes

We hear it repeatedly: "Why, you have the finest line in town," and we're not disparaging our neighbors—but we've laid ourselves out on these fine house garments, and will leave the decision to you. All we ask, if you're interested in these garments, is that you give us an opportunity of showing you.

Strong Lines at

$3.75, $5, $7.50 $9 and $10

Neckwear	25c to $1.50	Handkerchiefs	5c to $1.00
Gloves	25c to $4.50	Suit Cases	$1.50 to $9.00
Umbrellas	$1.00 to $5.00	Leather Bags	$4.50 to $10.00
Rain Coats	$10.00 to $20.00	Mufflers	50c to $2.50
Fancy Vests	$1.00 to $4.00	Dress Shields	$1.00 to $3.00
Sweaters	$1.00 to $5.00	Arm Elastics	15c to 75c
Cardigan Jackets	$1.00 to $4.50	Night Robes	50c to $1.50
E. & W. Collars	$2.75 per Doz.	Pajamas	$1.00 to $3.00
Scarf Pins	25c to $2.00	Fancy Shirts	$1.00 to $3.00
Cuff Buttons	25c to $2.00	Fancy Hose, per pair	25c to 50c
Suspenders	25c to $2.00	Seal Skin Caps, pieced	$4.00

GIFTS FOR WOMEN

Fur Muffs and Neck Pieces. The reputation of the Merrimack is back of every fur piece—the selections are choice including the most wanted shapes, and the skins are the best of their kind—the prices are 25 per cent. below the regular furrier's.

Fur Neck Pieces	$5.00 to $42.50	Hosiery	25c to $1.00
Fur Muffs	$5.98 to $25.00	Silk Waists	$5.00 to $12.00
Fur Lined Coats	$25.00 to $30.00	Wool Waists	$1.50 to $5.00
Bath Robes	$3.00 to $6.00	Cotton Waists	$1.00 to $3.00
Dressing Sacques	65c to 98c	Silk Petticoats	$5.00 to $10.00
Rain Coats	$10.00 to $25.00	Black Petticoats	$1.00 to $3.00
Dainty Neckwear	25c to $3.00	Sweaters	$1.50 to $2.50
Umbrellas	$1.00 to $7.00		

GIFTS FOR BOYS

A Suit or Overcoat or Reefer would be a welcome Christmas Gift to any lad—it doesn't take so much money either. Suits, Overcoats and Reefers here in guaranteed qualities at $3 and up, or

Woolen Blouses	50c to $1.50	Silk Neckwear	12½c to 25c
Sweaters and Wescuts	50c to $2.50	Flannelette Night Robes	50c
Fancy Vests	$1.50	Angora Toques	50c
Woolen Gloves and Mittens,	10c to 45c	Camel Hair Tams	38c to 59c
Kid Gloves	50c to $1.00		

The Merrimack

Clothing Company

ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DEATHS

STILES—Joseph White Stiles, Jr., captain of company F, High school regiment, died at his home, 1 Dutton street, yesterday. He had been ill only since Monday, appendicitis having been the direct cause of death.

He attended school last Monday and appeared to be in the best of spirits and was even after reaching home, but during the afternoon he complained of being ill and his condition became so that a physician was called in. An examination proved that he was suffering from appendicitis, but as it was considered a mild case it was not deemed necessary to have an operation performed.

He was but seventeen years of age, though was on his last year at the high school and was one of the brightest students in the school. He was very well liked both by the teachers and students and was very popular.

The young man is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stiles. He was their only son. Mr. Stiles is foreman in the machine shop on the Merrimack.

MEEHAN—Edward Meehan, aged 55 years, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 297 Middlesex street. He is survived by a wife. The remains were taken to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

GOLDEN—Mrs. Mary Golden, widow of the late Luke Golden, a well known and respected resident of Lowell for 54 years, and a much esteemed member of St. Michael's church, died this morning at the Massachusetts General hospital, aged 72 years. The body was brought to Lowell and later removed to her late home, 37 W. Fifth street by Undertaker James W. McKenna. She is survived by one niece, Miss Mary A. Golden. Funeral notice later.

Miss Martha Monette of Manchester, N. H., is the guest of Misses Therese and Blanche Roussin.

FUNERALS

GOWARD—The funeral of Mrs. Martha A. Goward was held from her home, 274 Appleton street, Wednesday afternoon. Services of an impressive nature were held at the house, Rev. George W. Bicknell of Cambridge officiating. The bearers were members of the family and burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Undertaker J. W. Brooks had charge.

CHURCHILL—The funeral of the late Mrs. Athalinda Churchill was held yesterday afternoon from her residence, 192 Wentworth avenue. Services of an impressive nature were conducted at the house by Rev. R. A. Greene and Mr. Harry Stocks and Mrs. Pepin sang the following selections: "When the Mists Have Rolled Away", "Lead, Kindly Light," and "Abide With Me." The bearers were Harlan P. Goodell, James G. Marshall, Lewis A. Pierce and George W. Randall. The floral offerings were numerous and evidenced the esteem in which deceased was held by her many acquaintances. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck had charge.

WOODMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Phoebe A. Woodman was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from her home in Tyngsboro. Services were conducted by Rev. S. A. Dixon and later the body was sent to Franklin Falls, N. H., for burial by Undertakers Young & Co.

BORG—The funeral of Thor E. S. Borg took place yesterday afternoon, services being held at St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. L. C. Manchester officiating. The bearers were members of Pentucket lodge of Masons and they performed their services at the tomb in the Edson cemetery. Undertakers Young & Co. had charge.

CONLON—The funeral of James B. Conlon will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the home and 10 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church, where a solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated.

BON MARCHE JUNGLE.

There are only two more days to witness the thrilling act of Mme. Scheil with her wonderful troupe of performing lions, at this popular resort. See her today and avoid the crowd which is sure to be on hand Saturday. This week for the special benefit of early shoppers down town in the morning, the doors are opened at 10 o'clock and the fun is fast and furious till 10 at night. Stage performance every hour. Entertaining lectures on habits and origin of all birds and animals, and free rides on the donkeys for the little folks.

BOWLING NEWS

In the Cosmopolitan Duck Pin league series the old-time rivals, the Mohairs and Buntings played a very interesting and well contested game, the score being 1316 to 1297 in favor of the former team. For Mohairs, Harriman was high single and high total and for the Buntings Simpson carried off the same honors.

Points—Mohairs 5, Buntings 0.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Fairmounts	31	11	.776
Brownies	32	13	.711
Mohairs	25	20	.556
Belvideres	16	29	.356
Buntings	15	30	.333
Belmonts	14	31	.312

Y. M. C. A. BOX BALL.

The game last night between the Dromedaries and Buffaloes was full of ginger from start to finish. At the end of the first string the Buffaloes led by a single pin but when the second string was totaled the Dromedaries were 10 pins in the lead. The Buffaloes, however, seemed to have gotten their second wind and the close of the third found them the winners by 57 pins. Tomorrow night the Crocodiles and Porcupines come together.

The score:

BUFFALOES.

A. B. Hobbs	125	119	130	374
John Grant	137	136	120	393
C. McDonald	129	116	118	363
J. E. Donohoe	114	138	112	364
J. Johnston, sub	117	100	143	360
Totals	622	609	623	1854

DROMEDARIES.

A. Myrick	140	124	124	388
M. Macdonald	146	128	115	389
R. Bixby	111	101	101	313
F. Ginty	110	132	108	350
W. Quinlan	114	135	108	357
Totals	621	620	556	1797

Spares—H. Macdonald 3, Johnson 2, Donohoe, Grant.

WRESTLING NOTES

Many sports would like to see Austin Callery in a good bout with some light weight for they argue that Callery is one of the coming men in the business.

Wilfred Barrette has posted $25 with The Sun for a match for $100 a side with James Prokos, the Greek, to take place four weeks hence.

Charles Rodgers of Fall River, through his manager, Joseph Johnson, has written the sporting editor of The Sun for a match in this city. He wants a go with Callery.

HOLIDAY GOODS

From All Parts of the World.

We have imported one of the largest and best lines of Holiday Goods to be found in New England, consisting of choice pieces in Haviland China, Royal Vienna, Royal Austria and Royal Dux from Bohemia and hand-painted Art Goods from Italy and France.

We are headquarters for Stock Pattern Dinner Ware. On our second floor we show over forty tables; each table a full set of dinner ware. When we say Stock Pattern we mean if you break a piece you can replace it any time.

Greenwood Bros.
CHINA STORE
241 CENTRAL STREET.

TURKEYS
FOR EVERYBODY

Buy Your Christmas Dinner at

John F. Saunders'

159 Corham, Cor. Summer St.

TURKEYS .....15c to 22c lb.
Our 22c Turkeys are all Rhode Island birds, and the finest in Lowell.
GEESE—Our Geese are all fancy stock .....16c to 18c lb.
CHICKENS .....15c a lb.
These are nice young ones.
FOWL .....12c to 15c lb.

Fresh Killed Fowl.....12c to 15c
Best Sirloin Roast Beef...12c lb.
Best Rib Roast Beef, 8c to 10c lb.
Best Roast Pork.....9c lb.
Best Smoked Bacon.....12c lb.
Best Hams .....11c lb.
Best Smoked Shoulders....8c lb.
Fresh Shoulders.....9c lb.
Best Round Steak, 2 lbs. for 25c
Best Rump and Sirloin Steak, 15c lb.
Best Corned Beef....5c to 7c lb.
Best Legs Veal.....10c lb.

Best short cut Legs Lamb 10c lb.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 5c qt.
Best Bread Flour, 85c bag; $6.75 bbl.
Best Butterine.....10c to 15c lb.
Best Creamery Butter, 5-lb. Boxes, $1.50
Best Green Mountain Potatoes, 18c peck; 70c bush.
6 lbs. of large Prunes..... 25c
20-lb. pail Compound Lard, $1.40
Fresh Eggs .....25c doz.

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There are thousands of people in Lowell who have started saving Legal Stamps. We take three or four pages for all kinds of Toys, Sleds and Holiday Goods.

100 Legal Stamps with 1 lb. Tea..... 60c
50 Legal Stamps with 1 lb. Coffee 35c
300 Legal Stamps with 1 lb. Tea, Coffee, and Baking Powder.....$1.45
20 Legal Stamps with 1 bottle Baker's Vanilla.....25c
20 Legal Stamps with 1 bottle Baker's Lemon 25c
20 Legal Stamps with 1 bottle Castoria 25c
10 Legal Stamps with 3 cans Peas 25c
20 Legal Stamps with 1 box Cocoa 25c

Remember we take 1-2 books and a little money, you can get a two, three and four book article.

Auction

FARM, STOCK and TOOLS

THIS AUCTION WILL TAKE PLACE

Thursday, December 29, 1904

At 10.30 in the forenoon, on the premises, known as the Lawndale Farm, in Tyngsboro, Mass., near Lowell, Mass. Take Nashua and Lakeview electric car at transfer station, Lowell, and get off at Johnson's corner. The farm is one of the best in New England. Situated on the Merrimack river, commanding a fine view, 3 minutes' walk from electrics and one half miles from Tyngsboro depot. The house has 10 rooms, in good repair. The barn is over 100 feet long, 20 box stalls. Fine cellar and complete in every way. There are about 100 acres of land, 40 in high state of cultivation. Cut over 75 tons of fodder this year. Good pasture and a lot of wood. The farm will be sold at 12 o'clock.

The personal property is, in part as follows: One pair bay work horses, weigh about 2600 pounds; 1 bay driving horse, weighs 1050, six years old, sound, kind and a good driver; 2 cows and 2 heifers, one of the cows just calved, young and a big milker; about 60 swine, all prize winners; very fine boar from Whipple farm, has taken three first premiums. The pigs are from 2 to 9 months old. A very fine lot. About 50 tons of the best hay and some fodder.

Farming tools are all nearly new and the very best makes. Two farm wagons, hay rack, tip cart body and rear wheels, manure spreader, 3 sleds, 3 plows, 3 harrows, 2-horse mowing machine, horse rake, hay tedder, roller wheelbarrow, grindstone, horse cultivator, Planet Jr. weeder, ladders, 2 sets double harnesses, 2 single and 2 express harnesses. Goddard buggy, open wagon, road cart, sleigh, pung, all the small tools of every kind in use on the farm.

This property is sold by order of the owner. Offers an exceptional opportunity to secure this fine farm and equipments at auction prices.

Hot coffee and lunch served at noon.

GREENLEAF CLARKE, Auctioneer.

With FRANK N. RAND, 90 Merrimack St., Haverhill, Mass.

Boston Office, Journal Building.

BUY YOUR XMAS DINNER OF US

Largest and Fancy Line of Poultry to Be Found in the City, at Prices Ranging From

12½ Cents to 25 Cents a Pound

Turkey, Geese, Fowl, Chickens, Christmas Chicks, Milk Fed

At 20 Cents a Pound

Everything in the Meat Line for Xmas. Grapes, Oranges, Pascal, Celery, Oysters, Cocktails and Salads of Snider's Make.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Central Cash Market, Cor. Central and Charles Sts.

Gilbride's Busy Corner

Gilbride's

MERRIMACK & PALMER STREETS

Gilbride's Busy Corner

STORE OPEN TONIGHT

Lowell's Best, Brightest and Busiest Christmas Store

Just Two Days More

OF CHRISTMAS SELLING

And we are going to clean out all the Christmas goods at any price. Never another such opportunity to buy choice gifts and make your money go twice as far. Gilbride methods will be applied, the kind of methods that have put this store in the front rank today. Mr. Gilbride said to the heads of departments: "Don't carry one dollar of Christmas merchandise over. Sell it today. Sell it at any price." Note the prices. Saturday we will give away free with all purchases of 50c or over, one box of candy.

Petticoats
SECOND FLOOR.

Black Mercerized Petticoats, from 49c to $3.98—Black Silk Moreen Petticoats, $2.98 to $5.00.

Cotton Underwear
SECOND FLOOR.

Dainty Corset Covers, from 23c to $2.98 Each—Beautiful sets of Underwear that cannot be duplicated elsewhere in price, quality and style.

Three Good Bargains in Coats

1 30-inch Broad Tail Velvet Coat, tight fitting, was $37.50, to close $25.00.
1 30-inch Broad Tail Persian Coat, tight fitting, was $45.00, to close $30.00.
1 45-inch Broad Tail Persian Coat, tight fitting, was $60.00, to close $45.00.

Men's Furnishing Department
CORNER ENTRANCE.

10 salesmen to attend to your wants. We are doing the furnishing business of the town. We've got the stock and prices are right. Men's Squirrel Lined Gloves in grays and tans, $3.98—Men's Fancy Suspenders in handsome boxes, 50c—Men's Fancy Hose in silk and lisle, neat patterns, 50c—Men's Bath Robes, made from wool, eiderdown, in all colors, from $2.50 to $10.00.

The Umbrella Stock
MAIN ENTRANCE.

is at its Christmas best. Beautiful presents for men and women. Men's at 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $2.98, $4.00, upwards. Women's, 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $2.25, $3.50, $4.00 upwards.

Handkerchiefs
CENTER AISLE.

Everybody can be fully supplied here with handkerchiefs; men's, women's and children's. Men's and Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c Each, 3 in a box $1.35—Women's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box, 50c—Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, the best value in Lowell, 25c—Men's Silk Mufflers, black and white, our leader, for 50c.

Women's Neckwear
CORNER ENTRANCE.

Each piece in a nice box makes a nice present. Our line is the largest and choicest in the city—you'd think we were the only ones in the business if you'd see the crowd of eager purchasers.
Handsome Silk and Lace Stocks, chiffon jabot, in nice boxes, 50c.
Beautiful Lace Cuff and Collar Sets, 25c.
Silk Beaded Collars, all colors, boxed, 25c.
Belts—Black, Blue and Brown Silk, latest styles, shirred back, fancy buckles, in handsome boxes, 50c.

Toilet Articles
MAIN ENTRANCE.

Pin Cushions, lace trimmed, 25c, 89c, 59c and $1.00.
Fancy Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, 25c.
Fancy Boxes of Colgate's Perfumes, best odors, 25c, 59c, 79c and $1.00.

Women's Hosiery
VERY GIFTY.

Women's Hose, lace ankle and all-over laces, all colors, from 50c to $1.50 Pair.
Women's Spun Silk Hose in drop-stitch and plain, from 98c to $2.98 PAIR.

Women's Gloves
CORNER ENTRANCE.

Plenty of salespeople to attend to your Glove wants, and you get a handsome box with each purchase of gloves.
Clementina Warwick Cape Gloves and Suede Gloves, $1.00 Pair.
Fowne's and New Driving Gloves, $1.50 Pair.
Angora Gloves, in gray, black and brown, from $1.50 to $2.25 Pair.

Linens

For the Christmas trade and gift making we have assembled here the finest Scotch and Irish Table Linens.
Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 25c.
Hemstitched and Fringed Damask and Huck Towels, 25c.
Real Cluny Lace Doilies, 25c, 35c and 50c.
Hemstitched German Linen Table Sets, $3.50 per Set.

Blankets and Comforters
BASEMENT.

25 pairs 11-4 All Woolen Blankets, pink and blue borders, a splendid gift, $5.00.
50 pairs 11-4 part wool Blankets, blue and pink borders, first quality, $2.98.
50 Snow Flake Comforters, silkaline and sateen covering, holiday price $1.69.

Dolls, Games and Toys
SOLD IN THE BEST BASEMENT IN LOWELL.

Fancy Dressed Dolls, were 75c, for.....49c
Fancy Dressed Dolls, were $1.25, for.....98c
Fancy Dressed Dolls, were $1.00, for.....75c
Undressed Kid Body Dolls, were 50c, for.....39c
Large Washable Dolls, reduced to.....50c
Semi-Dressed Jointed Dolls, reduced to.....75c
Large Checker Games 25c
Small Checker Games 5c
Fish Ponds, large size.....25c
Castle Boat Race, large size..... 25c
Parchesse, a popular parlor game.....69c

The "Gilbride Habit" Has Caught the Town. That's What the People Say, and They Are Sovereign

GILBRIDE'S

The Price Cutters, *MERRIMACK AND PALMER STS.*

ON THE CORNER.

BOTH INDICTED

Dr. Chadwick Will be Arrested

FORGERY IS THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM

Third True Bill Against His Wife

CLEVELAND, Dec. 22—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his wife, Mrs. Cessie L. Chadwick, were jointly indicted by the county grand jury yesterday afternoon on the charge of having forged and uttered a $5,000,000 note signed Andrew Carnegie.

Dr. Chadwick is now on his way to New York from Paris and is expected to land next Wednesday. As soon as the indictment was returned Sheriff Barry of this county made arrangements to secure Dr. Chadwick's extradition. He will meet the steamer on its arrival.

This is the third time that Mrs. Chadwick has been indicted by the county grand jury, but it is the first instance of her husband's name appearing in legal proceedings in the case. The indictments already returned against Mrs. Chadwick are similar to the one voted yesterday, except that they cover notes of $250,000 and $500,000 signed Andrew Carnegie.

Mrs. Chadwick, when informed yesterday afternoon of the action of the grand jury, appeared not the least concerned, and only asked if any one else had been indicted, mentioning the name of a person who has figured in the case to some extent.

She declined to make any comment, saying:

"It will do me no good to discuss my affairs in the newspapers. There has been so much misrepresentation that I have decided to do no further talking, and I am also acting on the advice of my attorney in this respect."

The grand jury's action was somewhat unexpected. It was thought at first that its report would be made Saturday. Prosecutor Keeler counted on a delay in securing the necessary papers for Dr. Chadwick's return, and feared that the steamship on which he is a passenger possible might arrive before they were secured. The vote was then taken and the indictment returned.

Sheriff Barry then arranged to obtain the requisition from Gov. Herrick of Ohio, and will leave Sunday night for Albany, N. Y., to obtain extradition papers from Gov. Odell. Dr. Chadwick, it is expected, will not resist returning to Cleveland.

"There are many things which Dr. Chadwick will have to explain, and I hope he will do so," said prosecutor Keeler yesterday afternoon. "Dr. and Mrs. Chadwick may be tried on the indictment separately or together. Each has a right to trial singly if it is desired. The jurors will finish their work Saturday.

"The Chadwick investigation so far as this jury is concerned is ended. But I cannot say that this concludes our inquiry into this matter. It is possible that there may be other developments."

The grand jury has spent more than two weeks in this investigation of the Chadwick affair. It is understood that it was mainly on the testimony of Pres. Beckwith of the Citizens' national bank of Oberlin, which failed recently, that the jurors voted to indict Dr. Chadwick.

A number of persons whose names have frequently appeared in connection with the case went before the jury at various times to give testimony.

Mrs. Chadwick was in better health yesterday than she has been for some time. Her only visitors are her attorneys and occasionally her son, Emil Heaver, who Sheriff Barry has now allowed to see her, contrary to the jail rules, if the boy desires.

Nathan Loeser, receiver for the Chadwick property, who is trying to locate assets for the benefit of creditors, said yesterday that he had obtained information concerning the whereabouts of the trunk and satchel belonging to Mrs. Chadwick, which were taken from the Holland house in New York during her stay there. He expects to recover them, but does not know if they contain valuables.

This is the time to buy coal. See Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FELL FROM WAGON

MARTIN FAHEY SUSTAINED SEVERE GASH OVER THE EYE.

Martin Fahey, residing at 101 Tremont street, fell from a wagon last evening and sustained a bad wound over his right eye. The man was intoxicated at the time and Officer Daniel C. Donovan picked him from the ground when he fell.

Owing to the loss of blood and the condition of the man it was thought that he was suffering from concussion of the brain at first. He was taken to the police station in the patrol wagon and City Physician Smith was summoned. Five stitches were taken in the wound and Fahey was booked for drunkenness.

COASTING ACCIDENTS

YOUNG PEOPLE IN CENTRALVILLE SEVERELY HURT.

Two coasting accidents occurred on Fay's hill on the top of Christian hill in Centralville a few days ago, in which a number of young people were painfully injured.

Among those injured are Miss Mollie Munn, daughter of F. C. Munn, 126 Methuen street, who had a tooth knocked out and her upper lip bruised; Miss Marion Bill, daughter of F. M. Bill, corner of Methuen and Eleventh streets, right arm sprained and body scratched, and Carl Bicknell, residing in Eleventh street, right arm broken and scalp lacerated. The toboggan hit an unseen rock and was smashed to pieces, the occupants being thrown with great force.

In the second accident were Guy Stevenson of Beacon street and Everett Shaw of Pawtucketville, and two young ladies, also of Pawtucketville. In this case the double-runner on which the young people were coasting, also struck a rock, smashing it to splinters. Fortunately none of the occupants were severely injured.

Goods at low prices, Oriental Bazaar.

WOMAN KILLED

Rapid Fire Gun Cartridge Cartridge Exploded

DETROIT, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Thomas E. Barnes was killed yesterday in her home at 253 Pine street, by the explosion of a "one-pounder" rapid fire gun cartridge which it is supposed she was using for a hammer in the Christmas preparations for her two baby girls.

How the explosion occurred is not definitely known as she was alone with the children, but it is said by friends that Mrs. Barnes had used the cartridge for a hammer at other times. The cartridge had been in the possession of the Barnes family for some time and is said to have been given to Mrs. Barnes by her brother, William Maybew, a gunner in the U. S. navy.

The woman's right hand was torn off at the wrist, her left hand was mutilated and part of the cartridge penetrated her breast and lodged in her heart and lungs.

OLD LAW INVOKED

DOGS AND CATS CLASSED AS WILD ANIMALS.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Considerable interest is shown in the case of William E. Willis, a South End dog fancier, who is charged by Alice E. Williams with stealing from her two dogs which she values at $30.

When the case was called by Judge Parmenter in the first session of the municipal criminal court yesterday afternoon, Lawyer Mulvey for the defence made a motion to have the larceny complaint quashed on the ground that dogs unlicensed and uncollared are not property according to the common law, and therefore not subject to larceny.

Mr. Mulvey spoke for some minutes and then Judge Parmenter suggested that he submit a brief to the court Dec. 29, giving his reasons for asking that the complaint be quashed.

The contention raised by Mulvey is based on an old law, which classes dogs and cats as wild animals. The dogs alleged to have been stolen were not licensed, because they were only six weeks old. As to licensed dogs which are kept in confinement the laws protect owners from theft, but when a complaint is made by one party accusing another of stealing a licensed dog the complaint must say that the dog was duly licensed, etc. Dogs and cats that have become dimesticated are protected by law while they remain confined, but the minute they are given their freedom their owners lose the right of protection.

An assault charge has also been preferred against Willis.

JURORS GAVE $100

GIFT FOR GIRL WHO HAD BEEN ACQUITTED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—The spectators in the court of general sessions yesterday cheered when the jury returned a verdict of acquittal for Clara Adler, aged 18, who was accused of killing her baby.

The members of the jury took up a subscription and gave $100 to the defendant whom they had just set free.

Miss Adler admitted that the child had died of benzine asphyxiation, but asserted that the poison fell into the child's mouth by accident when the mother attempted to commit suicide by drinking it. Miss Adler thought it was carbolic acid. Her friend knocked the bottle from her lips as she was about to drink.

Judge Newburger fully concurred in the verdict.

FOR THE STRIKERS

A CONCERT TO BE HELD FOR THEIR BENEFIT.

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor council held last evening arrangements were made for a concert to be held at Associate hall for the benefit of the Fall River strikers. The concert will be held Sunday, Jan. 15. All donations will be received by Michael Duggan and he also has been selected the only authorized solicitor of advertising for a souvenir program for the event. A meeting of the general committee in charge of the concert will be held next Wednesday evening at 32 Middle street. Tickets can be secured from Miss McMullen at 32 Middle street.

This is the time to buy flour. Fred H. Rourke, 984 Gorham street.

FOREFATHERS NIGHT.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Forefathers Night was observed by the Congregational club of Boston in Tremont Temple last night. The speakers were Henry C. King of Oberlin college; George R. Jones, president of the state senate; Rev. Cornelius H. Patton, home secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions, and President Sylvester B. Carter of the club. A reception was held followed by a banquet in the evening.

A Reminder to Our Customers

WILLIAM A. BLOCK

The Original Prescott Street Jeweler at No. 14, (Fourth Store From Merrimack Square)

Now showing the greatest and largest display of holiday goods at the lowest prices that were ever exhibited for the past eight seasons. Gold and Silver Watches, Diamond Rings, Chains, Lockets, Bracelets, etc.

A glance in our windows will convince you. Come all and come early.

William A. Block, 14 Prescott St.

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A gift that is inexpensive is no hardship to the giver. We have many low priced articles in furniture that are useful and would be an acceptable gift.

India Stools - 88c to $1.25
Blacking Boxes - $1 to $4.50
Child's Morris Chair - $2 to $4
Child's Rockers - 75c to $2.50
Rattan Work Baskets $2.25 to $4
Carpet Sweeper - - - - $2.50
Folding Screens - 90c to $9
Magazine Stands - - $2 to $13
Bath Room Hampers - - - - $2

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WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleaned

The first horses in New England were introduced into Massachusetts in 1629 or 1630.

The new 2.10 trotters of 1904 were made up of eighteen geldings, eight mares and five stallions.

Daniel A. Messner, of Oxford, Ind., the breeder of Dan Patch, 1.56, has an own brother and sister to the champion.

Lady Rivers, the dam of Sweet Marie, 2.04¾, was eleven years old when the fastest race mare of 1904 was foaled.

Alcander, 2.20½, had five new standard performers in 1904 and seven others reduced their records, all being pacers.

Thomas Sharkey, the pugilist, is said to be the purchaser of Oak Blossom, 2.12½. She will be shipped to England and raced.

Breeders were not nearly as anxious to get the Electioneer and Wilkes blood when those animals were alive as they are today.

During the season of 1904 on the Grand Circuit Geers won $47,609, divided as follows. He won 28 firsts, 18 seconds, 16 thirds, 14 fourths and was unplaced 31 times.

Hambletonian 10, the horse to which there is the greatest number of pedigree crosses, was by a 26-year-old sire. Mambrino Chief was by a 23-year-old sire; the sire of Black Hawk was 24; Electioneer was by a 19-year-old sire and Crescens sire was 22 when the champion's dam was served.

From what his get have done it appears that McKinley, 2.11¼, is preeminently a sire of fast mares and geldings, as he has two daughters and three gelded sons in the 2.10 trotting list, besides three mares and one gelding in the 2.10 pacing list. His entire sons in the 2.10 list are one trotter and one pacer.

A peculiar instance exists in the breeding of the four sensational colts trotters of the past season: Grace Bond, 2.09¼, Alta Axworthy, 2.10½, Lou Voyage, 2.16, and Jack Axworthy, 2.15¾. The fact is, not one of them is out of a developed dam but that each and all of them have developed grand dams.

Of the few undefeated champions Dan Patch is certainly the king of kings, as nineteen encounters covering three campaigns, he headed the summary in every instance. The only other champion that approaches him in this respect is the ex-queen of trotters, Nancy Hanks, who was victorious in all her fifteen battles.

Don't use an unsound horse or mare for breeding purposes, if that unsoundness is a source of mental anguish or torture to them, for the prenatal suggestion may have a bad effect on the foal. Wait until conditions are again normal or as nearly right as possible and many disappointments will be avoided.

When a colt appears to be cockle jointed examine the feet carefully for thrush. Colts that are suffering from this form of foot disease often give notice of it in that manner. The feet of colts that are stabled need constant care. They should be cleaned carefully with a foot pick every day, and afterwards washed with clean water. They should be kept level by means of a rasp, and the toes prevented from becoming too long by use of that instrument.

Casper L. Redfield in the Christmas Horseman says: "With all due respect to Sweet Marie, I am inclined to think that Grace Bond is the most remarkable trotter of the year. She gets into the 2.10 list at the age of three, whereas Sweet Marie does not get there until eight. Her pedigree is one of exceptional strength from the development standpoint. While neither her sire nor her dam has a record this is a mere technicality. Both were in fast races before Grace Bond was produced."

An authority on the horse writes that when a horse is gelded while young he never acquires the stallion characteristics. He inherits everything which characterized the youth of his sire but the gelding process acts him off from inheriting the nature stallion form. In the same way the gelding process cuts him off from inheriting the dynamic development which his sire acquired in his matured years. He inherits only that acquired development which his sire got while a colt. It follows from this that developing a stallion while he is young improves him as a sire of geldings, and developing when he is mature improves him as a sire of stallions.

The first 2.10 performer was Johnston in October, 1883, who in an exhibition against time paced a mile in 2.10. The first 2.10 trotter did not appear until August, 1884, when Jay Eye See trotted a mile at Providence, R. I., in just 2.10. The next day Maud S. trotted a mile in 2.09¾. In 1884 Johnston paced in 2.06¾. With the exception of Maud S., reducing her record in 1885 to 2.08¾, there were no records reduced or new 2.10 performers until 1890 when three pacers appeared: Roy Wilkes, 2.08¾, Hal Pointer, 2.09¾, and Cricket, 2.10. In 1891 there were five trotters and one pacer, in 1892 the bike sulky was used extensively and 6 trotters and 14 pacers were added to the list. In 1893 there were 16 more trotters and 15 pacers and in 1894 it was 10 trotters and 23 pacers. In 1895 it was 13 trotters and 51 pacers. In 1896 there were 8 trotters and 40 pacers. In 1897, 18 trotters and 48 pacers. In 1898 20 trotters and 41 pacers. In 1899, 18 trotters and 52 pacers. In 1900, 15 trotters and 64 pacers. In 1901 there were 11 trotters and 49 pacers. In 1902 there were 29 trotters and 68 pacers. In 1903, 26 trotters came along and 70 pacers, while the past season has seen the banner season of them all with 31 trotters and 72 pacers. All told there is over 800 performers now in the 2.10 list and the growth will soon be 100 per year. It would not be surprising to have the "select circle" placed at 2.05 and even then the increase in number would soon assume goodly proportions.

Of the 255 drivers who took part in the Grand Circuit 154 won money while 101 were out their time and entrance money. Eleven drivers won $10,000 or more, Geers heading the list with $47,609 to his credit. The next in the list is DeRyder with $38,723; then Andrews with $29,700, and Spear with $26,925. Snow won $24,405; Thomas, $20,292; Leo McDonald, $15,290; Hudson, $15,180; Alta McDonald, $14,375; Robert Smith, $12,900; and Havers James, $10,000.

HENRY O'MEARA DEAD.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of Henry O'Meara, for many years a Boston newspaper man and writer of poetry. For some time he was a co-worker with John Boyle O'Reilly. He was born in Newfoundland 54 years ago. Mr. O'Meara was a brother of Stephen O'Meara, formerly managing editor of the Boston Journal.

STEAMER STRANDED

THE ADMIRAL DEWEY ASHORE NEAR PORT MORANT.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 23—The United Fruit company's steamer Admiral Dewey went ashore Wednesday night at the entrance of Port Morant harbor. The wrecking steamer Premier has gone to her assistance.

The same company's steamer Buckman lost her propeller by grounding at Ocho Dios, and was towed to Port Antonio by the Dumois. It is feared that the damage cannot be repaired here and that the Buckman wil lbe obliged to proceed to Newport News in tow.

The Admiral Dewey sailed from Boston Wednesday morning, Dec. 14, for Jamaican ports, carrying out a number of tourists from New England.

Among the passengers were Dr. J. Henry Wood of Brookline, Miss A. H. Tucker and Miss Juliet Porter of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haskell of Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. James Hipburn of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Chaney of Salem, Mrs. E. M. Haskell of Providence, Miss Bertha S. Barrar, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maxwell of Saugus, Caleb Holyoke of Bangor, Charles M. Robbins of Attleboro, John Young of Swampscott, Joseph O. Wellington and Charles W. Winns of Arlington, Mrs. Lizzie Noyes of Haverhill, W. A. Frost, L. C. Wasson, Charles Thompson and W. H. Ryerson of this city.

New Xmas goods. Oriental Bazaar.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Lieutenant Governor Guild will address the Lincoln club at its annual dinner, Feb. 13.

City Treasurer Stiles will lack the $1014 loan order recently passed by the city council on to the bigger loan about to be made, as he did not like to borrow so small an amount.

Christmas Hints to Late Buyers—from

The Merrimack

To the woman who has not finished her Christmas shopping or has been disappointed in securing just what she wanted, and to the man who has, as usual, put off the buying to the last minute, let us say:—

The Christmas stocks at the Merrimack are practically intact—you'll find good choosing in fine wearables for men, women and boys—arranged to good advantage to allow careful selecting—with prompt attention from our salespeople.

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Neckwear .....25c to $1.50
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Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $5.00
Rain Coats .....$10.00 to $20.00
Fancy Vests.....$1.00 to $4.00
Sweaters .....$1.00 to $5.00
Cardigan Jackets.....$1.00 to $4.50
E. & W. Collars..... $2.75 per Doz.
Scarf Pins.....25c to $2.00
Cuff Buttons.....25c to $2.00
Suspenders .....25c to $2.00

Handkerchiefs .....5c to $1.00
Suit Cases.....$1.50 to $9.00
Leather Bags.....$4.50 to $10.00
Mufflers .....50c to $2.50
Dress Shields.....$1.00 to $3.00
Arm Elastics.....15c to 75c
Night Robes .....50c to $1.50
Pajamas .....$1.00 to $3.00
Fancy Shirts.....$1.00 to $3.00
Fancy Hose, per pair.....25c to 50c
Seal Skin Caps, pieced.....$4.00

GIFTS FOR WOMEN

Fur Muffs and Neck Pieces. The reputation of the Merrimack is back of every fur piece—the selections are choice including the most wanted shapes, and the skins are the best of their kind—the prices are 25 per cent. below the regular furrier's.

Fur Neck Pieces.....$5.00 to $42.50
Fur Muffs.....$5.98 to $25.00
Fur Lined Coats.....$25.00 to $30.00
Bath Robes.....$3.00 to $6.00
Dressing Sacques.....65c to 98c
Rain Coats .....$10.00 to $25.00
Dainty Neckwear.....25c to $3.00
Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $7.00

Hosiery .....25c to $1.00
Silk Waists.....$5.00 to $12.00
Wool Waists.....$1.50 to $5.00
Cotton Waists.....$1.00 to $3.00
Silk Petticoats.....$5.00 to $10.00
Black Petticoats.....$1.00 to $3.00
Sweaters .....$1.50 to $2.50

GIFTS FOR BOYS

A Suit or Overcoat or Reefer would be a welcome Christmas Gift to any lad—it doesn't take so much money either. Suits, Overcoats and Reefers here in guaranteed qualities at $3 and up, or

Woolen Blouses.....50c to $1.50
Sweaters and Wescuts.....50c to $2.50
Fancy Vests..... $1.50
Woolen Gloves and Mittens, 10c to 45c
Kid Gloves .....50c to $1.00

Silk Neckwear.....12½c to 25c
Flannelette Night Robes..... 50c
Angora Toques..... 50c
Camel Hair Tams.....38c to 59c

The Merrimack Clothing Company

ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DEATHS

STILES—Joseph White Stiles, Jr., captain of company F, High school regiment, died at his home, 1 Dutton street, yesterday. He had been ill only since Monday, appendicitis having been the direct cause of death.

He attended school last Monday and appeared to be in the best of spirits and was even after reaching home, but during the afternoon he complained of being ill and his condition became so that a physician was called in. An examination proved that he was suffering from appendicitis, but as it was considered a mild case it was not deemed necessary to have an operation performed.

He was but seventeen years of age, though was on his last year at the high school and was one of the brightest students in the school. He was very well liked both by the teachers and students and was very popular.

The young man is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stiles. He was their only son. Mr. Stiles is foreman in the machine shop on the Merrimack.

MEEHAN—Edward Meehan, aged 55 years, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 297 Middlesex street. He is survived by a wife. The remains were taken to the funeral chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

GOLDEN—Mrs. Mary Golden, widow of the late Luke Golden, a well known and respected resident of Lowell for 64 years, and a much esteemed member of St. Michael's church, died this morning at the Massachusetts General hospital, aged 72 years. The body was brought to Lowell and later removed to her late home, 37 W. Fifth street by Undertaker James W. McKenna. She is survived by one niece, Miss Mary A. Golden. Funeral notice later.

Miss Martha Monette of Manchester, N. H., is the guest of Misses Therese and Blanche Roussin.

FUNERALS

GOWARD—The funeral of Mrs. Martha A. Goward was held from her home, 274 Appleton street, Wednesday afternoon. Services of an impressive nature were held at the house, Rev. George W. Bicknell of Cambridge officiating. The bearers were members of the family and burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Undertaker J. W. Brooks had charge.

CHURCHILL—The funeral of the late Mrs. Athalinda Churchill was held yesterday afternoon from her residence, 192 Wentworth avenue. Services of an impressive nature were conducted at the house by Rev. R. A. Greene and Mr. Harry Stocks and Mrs. Pepin sang the following selections: "When the Mists Have Rolled Away", "Lead, Kindly Light," and "Abide With Me." The bearers were Harlan P. Goodell, James G. Marshall, Lewis A. Pierce and George W. Randall. The floral offerings were numerous and evidenced the esteem in which deceased was held by her many acquaintances. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck had charge.

WOODMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Phoebe A. Woodman was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from her home in Tyngsboro. Services were conducted by Rev. S. A. Dixon and later the body was sent to Franklin Falls, N. H., for burial by Undertakers Young & Co.

BORG—The funeral of Thor E. S. Borg took place yesterday afternoon, services being held at St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. L. C. Manchester officiating. The bearers were members of Pentucket lodge of Masons and they performed their services at the tomb in the Edson cemetery. Undertakers Young & Co. had charge.

CONLON—The funeral of James B. Conlon will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the home and 10 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church, where a solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated.

BON MARCHE JUNGLE.

There are only two more days to witness the thrilling act of Mme. Schell with her wonderful troupe of performing lions, at this popular resort. See her today and avoid the crowd which is sure to be on hand Saturday. This week for the special benefit of early shoppers down town in the morning, the doors are opened at 10 o'clock and the fun is fast and furious till 10 at night. Stage performance every hour. Entertaining lectures on habits and origin of all birds and animals, and free rides on the donkeys for the little folks.

BOWLING NEWS

In the Cosmopolitan Duck Pin league series the old-time rivals, the Mohairs and Buntings played a very interesting and well contested game, the score being 1316 to 1297 in favor of the former team. For Mohairs, Harriman was high single and high total and for the Buntings Simpson carried off the same honors.

Points—Mohairs 6, Buntings 0.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Fairmounts	34	11	.776
Brownies	32	13	.711
Mohairs	25	20	.556
Belvideres	16	20	.356
Buntings	15	30	.333
Belmonts	14	31	.312

Y. M. C. A. BOX BALL.

The game last night between the Dromedaries and Buffaloes was full of ginger from start to finish. At the end of the first string the Buffaloes led by a single pin but when the second string was totaled the Dromedaries were 10 pins in the lead. The Buffaloes, however, seemed to have gotten their second wind and the close of the third found them the winners by 57 pins. Tomorrow night the Crocodiles and Porcupines come together.

The score:

BUFFALOES.

A. B. Hobbs	125	119	130	374
John Grant	137	130	126	393
C. McDonald	129	116	118	363
J. E. Donohoe	114	138	112	364
J. Johnston, sub	117	100	143	360
Totals	622	601	631	1854

DROMEDARIES.

A. Myrick	140	124	121	396
M. Macdonald	146	128	115	389
R. Bixby	111	101	101	313
F. Ginty	110	132	108	350
W. Quinlan	114	135	108	357
Totals	621	620	555	1797

Spares—H. Macdonald 3, Johnson 2, Donohoe, Grant.

WRESTLING NOTES

Many sports would like to see Austin Callery in a good bout with some light weight for they argue that Callery is one of the coming men in the business.

Wilfred Barrette has posted $25 with The Sun for a match for $100 a side with James Prokos, the Greek, to take place four weeks hence.

Charles Rodgers of Fall River, through his manager, Joseph Johnson, has written the sporting editor of The Sun for a match in this city. He wants a go with Callery.

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We have imported one of the largest and best lines of Holiday Goods to be found in New England, consisting of choice pieces in Havlland China, Royal Vienna, Royal Austria and Royal Dux from Bohemia and hand-painted Art Goods from Italy and France.

We are headquarters for Stock Pattern Dinner Ware. On our second floor we show over forty tables; each table a full set of dinner ware. When we say Stock Pattern we mean if you break a piece you can replace it any time.

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TURKEYS ....15c to 22c lb.
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Fresh Killed Fowl.....12c to 15c
Best Sirloin Roast Beef...12c lb.
Best Rib Roast Beef, 8c to 10c lb.
Best Roast Pork..........9c lb.
Best Smoked Bacon......12c lb.
Best Hams ....11c lb.
Best Smoked Shoulders....8c lb.
Fresh Shoulders..........9c lb.
Best Round Steak, 2 lbs. for 25c
Best Rump and Sirloin Steak, 15c lb.
Best Corned Beef....5c to 7c lb.
Best Legs Veal...........10c lb.

Best short cut Legs Lamb 10c lb.
Best Cape Cod Cranberries, 5c qt.
Best Bread Flour, 65c bag; $6.75 bbl.
Best Butterine.....10c to 15c lb.
Best Creamery Butter, 5-lb. Boxes, $1.50
Best Green Mountain Potatoes, 18c peck; 70c bush.
6 lbs. of large Prunes......25c
20-lb. pail Compound Lard, $1.40
Fresh Eggs ....25c doz.

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Auction

FARM, STOCK and TOOLS

THIS AUCTION WILL TAKE PLACE

Thursday, December 29, 1904

At 10.30 in the forenoon, on the premises, known as the Lawndale Farm, in Tyngsboro, Mass., near Lowell, Mass. Take Nashua and Lakeview electric car at transfer station, Lowell, and get off at Johnson's corner. The farm is one of the best in New England. Situated on the Merrimack river, commanding a fine view, 3 minutes' walk from electrics and one half miles from Tyngsboro depot. The house has 10 rooms, in good repair. The barn is over 100 feet long, 20 box stalls. Fine cellar and complete in every way. There are about 100 acres of land, 40 in high state of cultivation. Cut over 75 tons of fodder this year. Good pasture and a lot of wood. The farm will be sold at 12 o'clock.

The personal property is, in part as follows: One pair bay work horses, weigh about 2600 pounds; 1 bay driving horse, weighs 1050, six years old, sound, kind and a good driver; 2 cows and 3 heifers, one of the cows just calved, young and a big milker; about 60 swine, all prize winners; very fine boar from Whipple farm, has taken three first premiums. The pigs are from 2 to 9 months old. A very fine lot. About 50 tons of the best hay and some fodder.

Farming tools are all nearly new and the very best makes. Two farm wagons, hay rack, tip cart body and rear wheels, manure spreader, 3 sleds, 3 plows, 3 harrows, 2-horse mowing machine, horse rake, hay tedder, roller wheelbarrow, grindstone, horse cultivator, Planet Jr. weeder, ladders, 2 sets double harnesses, 2 single and 2 express harnesses, Goddard buggy, open wagon, road cart, sleigh, pung, all the small tools of every kind in use on the farm.

This property is sold by order of the owner. Offers an exceptional opportunity to secure this fine farm and equipments at auction prices.

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Black Mercerized Petticoats, from 49c to $3.98—Black Silk Moreen Petticoats, $2.98 to $5.00.

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Dainty Corset Covers, from 23c to $2.98 Each—Beautiful sets of Underwear that cannot be duplicated elsewhere in price, quality and style.

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1 30-inch Broad Tail Velvet Coat, tight fitting, was $37.50, to close $25.00.
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10 salesmen to attend to your wants. We are doing the furnishing business of the town. We've got the stock and prices are right. Men's Squirrel Lined Gloves in grays and tans, $3.98—Men's Fancy Suspenders in handsome boxes, 50c—Men's Fancy Hose in silk and lisle, neat patterns, 50c—Men's Bath Robes, made from wool, elderdown, in all colors, from $2.50 to $10.00.

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is at its Christmas best. Beautiful presents for men and women. Men's at 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $2.98, $4.00, upwards. Women's, 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $2.25, $3.50, $4.00 upwards.

Handkerchiefs

CENTER AISLE.

Everybody can be fully supplied here with handkerchiefs; men's, women's and children's. Men's and Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c Each, 6 in a box $1.35—Women's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 in a box, 50c—Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, the best value in Lowell, 25c—Men's Silk Mufflers, black and white, our leader, for 50c.

Women's Neckwear

CORNER ENTRANCE.

Each piece in a nice box makes a nice present. Our line is the largest and choicest in the city—you'd think we were the only ones in the business if you'd see the crowd of eager purchasers.
Handsome Silk and Lace Stocks, chiffon jabot, in nice boxes, 50c.
Beautiful Lace Cuff and Collar Sets, 25c.
Silk Beaded Collars, all colors, boxed, 25c.
Belts—Black, Blue and Brown Silk, latest styles, shirred back, fancy buckles, in handsome boxes, 50c.

Toilet Articles

MAIN ENTRANCE.

Pin Cushions, lace trimmed, 25c, 39c, 59c and $1.00.
Fancy Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, 25c.
Fancy Boxes of Colgate's Perfumes, best odors, 25c, 59c, 79c and $1.00.

Women's Hosiery

VERY GIFTY.

Women's Hose, lace ankle and all-over laces, all colors, from 50c to $1.50 Pair.
Women's Spun Silk Hose in drop-stitch and plain, from 98c to $2.98 PAIR.

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Clementina Warwick Cape Gloves and Suede Gloves, $1.00 Pair.
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Angora Gloves, in gray, black and brown, from $1.50 to $2.25 Pair.

Linens

For the Christmas trade and gift making we have assembled here the [illegible] Linens.
Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 25c.
Hemstitched and Fringed Damask and Huck Towels, 25c.
Real Cluny Lace Doilies, 25c, 35c and 50c.
Hemstitched German Linen Table Sets, $3.50 per Set.

Blankets and Comforters

BASEMENT.

25 pairs 11-4 All Woolen Blankets, [illegible]
50 pairs [illegible]
50 [illegible] Comforters, [illegible]

Dolls, Games and Toys

SOLD IN THE [illegible]

Fancy Dressed Dolls, were [illegible] for........49c [illegible]
Fancy Dressed Dolls, were [illegible] for........98c [illegible]
Fancy [illegible]
[illegible]
Large [illegible]........50c [illegible]
[illegible]........75c [illegible]

The "Gilbride Habit" Has Caught the [illegible]
Say, and They [illegible]

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The Price Cutters [illegible] Kindle Sts.

RECOUNT ENDED

And Revised Figures Show No Changes

Fairweather Leads Aldermanic Ticket by One Vote—Casey Makes a Net Gain of Four—Registrars Tired Out After Arduous Task

The registrars of voters finished their arduous task of recounting the aldermanic votes of the city last night and a more weary and played out quartet never left city hall. In the four days they worked they earned their year's salary of $550 for each one of the four will feel the effect of the strain on his eyes and nerves for some time to come.

The recount made no change in the political complexion of next year's officials for it's Mayor-elect Casey and the same nine aldermen as were named before the recount. Casey lost one vote and Hill lost five. Dennis J. Mann of precinct three, ward seven, received one vote for mayor.

The only really important change in the original order was a gain by Alderman Fairweather, which makes him high man, leading Alderman Carmichael by one vote.

The registrars worked for 50 hours assisted by two clerks. Mr. Sullivan's eyes gave out on Wednesday night and last night Mr. Hazen was nervously exhausted. City Clerk Dadman suffered with eye weakness after Wednesday and Mr. Farley felt his eyes paining him last evening. But Kendal and Charlie Hartwell of the republican city committee were on deck during the entire recount and they were well pleased when the job was finished.

The revised vote for mayor was as follows: Casey 7306 and Hill 6733, a net gain of four for Casey.

The revised aldermanic vote was as follows:

Fairweather	7238,	gains 12
Carmichael	7237,	gains 1
Allen	6935,	gains 13
Grant	6892,	gains 29
Braden	6886,	gains 15
Hayes	6867,	loses 3
Cosgrove	6813,	gains 16
Walker	6734,	loses 10
Rourke	6596,	gains 36
Livingston	6562,	loses 27
McVey	6524,	gains 36
Gallagher	6417,	gains 27
Taylor	6395,	gains 1
Hillard	6213,	loses 23
Robinson	6111,	loses 17
Porter	5942,	gains 7
Welch	5884,	gains 13
Stowell	5656,	gains 63
Blanks	8605,	gains 111

Yesterday's work was confined to wards seven and eight. Ward seven was taken up first. The greatest changes noted in ward seven were in precinct three where Braden gained 12 and Fairweather 9, while Gallagher lost 10 and blanks lost 13.

Precinct one of ward eight showed fewer changes than any precinct of the entire city. Casey lost one vote and Hill gained one. Parker gained one and blanks lost one.

Precinct two, the strongest republican precinct in Massachusetts, had many changes. Hill gained a vote and Barker lost one. Allen gained seven and Carmichael two. Cosgrove, Crooker, O. A. Draper, Folsom, Gallagher, Livingston and Stowell gained a vote each. McVey gained 26 and Rourke won three. Robinson lost 19. Blanks lost 29 votes.

In the last precinct counted, three of eight, Casey lost a vote and Hill lost two. Parker gained three. Carmichael gained three and Cosgrove won two, O. A. Draper and Folsom, socialists, lost a vote apiece, while Gallagher gained three. Livingston and Richardson lost one each. McVey, Taylor and Welch gained one. Robinson gained one. Rourke won three and Stowell and Walker two each. Blanks lost 19.

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FINE PAINTINGS

SECOND DAY'S SALE OF MR. COGGESHALL'S WORK.

The bidding on Mr. Coggeshall's paintings, yesterday, the second day of the sale, was more lively than on the first day, and while fair prices were taken the money did not represent the real value of the work. Two of the most valuable paintings had to be withdrawn because the bidding did not reach a pitch sufficiently high to make the offer reasonable, and the pictures were withdrawn under the rights reserved by the auctioneer, E. B. Conant.

A Venetian scene, in water color, "On Fondimenta Zatterei," brought the highest price paid for any one picture, $40. Some small water colors sold as low as $4 each. There are still a few of the smaller pictures left, and Mr. Coggeshall says that he will add others to the collection, attractive bits of scenery, which can be bought at private sale. The room will be open from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., each day, up to Jan. 1. Top floor, Central block, Central street.

PLEASANT PARTY

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHOIR MET WITH MR. AND MRS. GILLAM.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gillam, 28 Warwick street, was the scene of a joyous and musical gathering last evening. The choir of the First Congregational church met there and nearly all the members of the choir were present. A musical program of rare merit was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

GOOD RACING

AT CONVENTION HALL ON BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23—Good time was made in the professional bicycle events on the thirteen lap track at Convention hall last night.

Results:

Three mile motor paced, won by Frank Caldwell of Bristol, Conn. Time—5.36.

Five mile motor-paced, won by Nat Butler of Boston. Time—6.16.

Four mile motor-paced won by Louis Mettling of Boston. Time—6.35 3-5.

NORTH BILLERICA.

A well attended whist party was held in the rooms of the Billerica republican club last night. Three prizes, two turkeys and a chicken, were offered by the committee in charge, and at the close of two hours' play the following winners were announced:

First prize, 12-pound turkey, won by Thomas F. Sheridan with 56 points. Second prize, 10-pound turkey, won by James O'Toole, 52, and thrid, a 6-pound chicken, won by Henry O'Brien, 49.

The Talbot grammar school closed yesterday afternoon for the annual Christmas vacation.

The installation of the newly elected officers of North Billerica council, R. A., will take place Wednesday night, Jan. 4.

Holiday gifts, Oriental Bazaar.

DEWOLFE MANSION

DESTROYED BY FIRE LAST NIGHT.

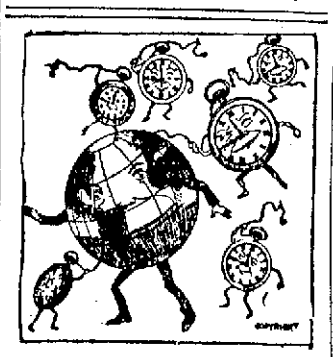
BRISTOL, R. I., Dec. 23.—The old De Wolfe mansion, known as "The Mount," on the east side of the city, and one of the finest types of colonial architecture in Rhode Island, was destroyed by fire last night. Mrs. William D. De Wolfe, who occupied the mansion at the time, escaped with her maid, and the two, with the aid of a neighbor, saved an oil portrait of U. S. Senator James De Wolfe who built the house a century ago; a Gilbert Stuart portrait of Washington and considerable furniture. The loss is estimated at $35,000, but this does not represent the loss from an historic standpoint.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Manager Murphy of the Academy of Music has arranged a special Christmas attraction for Sunday afternoon and evening, the proceeds of which will go to the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church. The feature of the program will be high-class moving pictures, together with illustrated songs and other features too numerous to mention. The pictures will all be new and never before shown in this city and prominent among them will be: "Meet Me at the Fountain," "Uncle Rube's Birthday," "Burglars at Work," "Panorama Views of the Elks," "The Fox Hunt," and a host of others equally interesting. The prices for the afternoon will be 10 and 20c, while the evening prices will be 10, 20, and 30c.

CHILDREN'S HOME.

At the invitation of the matron, Mrs. O'Leary, and through the kindness of Mr. Mitchell of the Mon March, Santa Claus visited the Children's Home on Kirk street, Wednesday, to the great delight of the children who gathered around him and told their wants. He departed promising to return with what gifts he could gather at Christmas.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EAGLES FLEW

FIRE BROKE OUT WHERE MEETING WAS BEING HELD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Fire broke out last night in a four-story building in First street, Elizabeth, N. J., while four hundred members of the local lodge of Eagles were in session on the top floor and a meeting of the Daughters of Liberty was in session on the floor below. The first burst of fire was accompanied by a dense smoke and many of the members of the two lodges were almost overcome before they reached the street. No one was injured, but the men lost their hats and overcoats and many of the women lost their wraps.

The ground floor of the building was occupied by Arnold Textor, dealers in painters' supplies. The property loss amounted to $30,000.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Local Lodge, No. 14, National Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, elected officers for the ensuing year at its meeting las tevening at Bay State hall in Central street, and Hugh J. Gallagher was chosen president by an overwhelming vote.

Other officials elected were James L. Rogers, vice president; John Barrett, secretary and treasurer; William Gallagher, recording secretary; Joseph Cryan, guide; John Deane, trustee; Michael Cornelily, financial secretary, and John Farrell sergeant-at-arms.

John Walton, John Rogers, Michael Cornelily, William Galvin, Hugh J. Gallagher and John Barrett were chosen delegates to the Trades and Labor council.

Reports received from the treasurer and financial secretary indicate that the lodge is in a flourishing condition and the membership has increased materially during the year just closing.

Following the business session President-elect Hugh Gallagher delivered an interesting discourse on the advantages of united effort which is gained through unionism, and he pointed to the labor struggle in Fall River as an example of strength derived from unionism.

Highland Council, 970, R. A., held a largely attended meeting last evening. Much routine business was transacted and one application received. After the close of the business meeting a whist party was held for which five prizes were up. The 1st prize was a solid silver smoking set and was won by J. Orrill of Highland; the 2d prize, a loving cup, was won by Chas. H. Hartley of Highland; the 3d prize, a gold inkstand, was won by Fred Rand of Highland; the 1st booby prize, an ornament, was won by C. F. Donahue of Highland; 2d booby prize, an ornament, was won by W. J. Scannell of Highland.

In the forthcoming bowling tournament Highland council will play against North Billerica council Friday evening, Jan. 6th, at the Bowlaway.

A union meeting of the different branches of the New England Order of Protection was held last evening in this city, and Crystal, Elgin, Neptune, Echo and Talbot lodges of this city and Lawrence lodge of Lawrence were represented.

A class initiation was in order and the candidates were initiated by the degree staff of Crystal lodge. The committee in charge were W. S. Holt, chairman; Thomas Frost, William N. Mountain, Mrs. Bowen, Charles Kittredge, T. E. Smith, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Buxton, Walter Morris and J. F. Kent.

After the business of the session, supper was served, following which remarks were made by the grand officers.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN.

The regular meeting of L'Union St. Joseph was held last night with a large attendance, the principal business of the meeting being the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President, Wilfrid Lorrain; vice president, Edmond Pelletier; recording secreary, J. A. Plante, re-elected; assistant recording secretary, Arthur Plante, re-elected; treasurer, Isidore Turcotte, re-elected; assistant treasurer, D. B. Leboeuf, re-elected; sick visitors, Albert Leblean, re-elected; Pierre Roy; directors, Alexis Doizois, re-elected; Alexander Lagasse, re-elected; Horace Caruffel, F. J. G. Lorrain, Telesphore Gendron.

The installation of these officers will take place on the first Thursday in January.

MIDGET'S RECEPTION AND LOLLY POPS AT CASTO.

Manager Haynes has arranged an excellent attraction for the school children at the Casto Saturday afternoon. After the matinee performance Mrs. Tom Thumb, Count and Baron Magri, the famous miniature artists, who head this week's program in their sparkling comedy "Two Strings to Her Bow" will hold a reception upon the stage and to every person who attends will be presented the latest craze, a lolly pop. This will be the only opportunity the school children will have of meeting these famous lilliputians for this is the farewell engagement of these world-famous folk. To meet personally these midgets and also receive a lolly pop is indeed a treat for the young folks. The current program at the Casto is an excellent one and will please the little ones. In addition to Mrs. Tom Thumb, and the Count and Baron Magri will be seen an excellent comedy program which includes the best acts in vaudeville. Owing to the rush which is certain to occur it would be wise to order reserved seats at once. This may be done by calling telephone 815-3.

CHESS CONTEST.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The 13th annual intercollegiate chess tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton, four men representing each university, was begun at the Westside Republican club in this city.

The tournament will be continued today and conclude on Saturday.

The pairing for the first round has been arranged as follows:

G. W. Tucker, Jr. (C.), Wm. N. Woodbury (Y.), Queenspawn opening.

Joseph Tolms (C.), Charles P. Kimball (Y.), Scotch opening.

Louis P. Wolff (C.), Arthur S. Jameson (Y.), Sicilian opening.

Abraham Lasciusk (C.), Clifford H. Owen (Y.), Queenspawn opening.

P. W. Brigham (H.), Stanley (P.), F. Nelson's bishop's gambit opening.

W. Shoeland (H.), T. Mercy (P.), Vienna opening.

G. T. McClure (H.), Waldron M. Ward (Y.), king's gambit decline opening.

Q. A. Brackett (H.), Charles Williams (P.), Giouia piano opening.

The games today resulted as follows:

Woodbury beat Tucker 53 moves; Tolms beat Kimball 34 moves; Wolff and Jameson drew 53 moves; Owen beat Lazinsk 36 moves; Nelson beat Bridgman 30 moves; McClure beat Ward 35 moves; Brackett beat Williams 58 moves. The game between Howland and Mowry was adjourned after 53 moves, to be adjudicated by the referee. The result gives Yale 2½ points, Harvard 2, Columbia 1½, Princeton 1.

POSTAL NOTES

HINTS TO HELP THE CARRIERS AT CHRISTMAS.

There will be one delivery Monday morning by the carriers.

Post your letter early for many of the carriers are unable to complete their entire delivery in the afternoon within the prescribed eight hours. All carriers must complete their forenoon trips and work in the afternoon till the eight hours is completed.

Many of the carriers received presents yesterday. It was noticeable that the more humble of the population remembered the carriers more liberally. In the "Little Canada" district one patron took a subscription paper around to the great benefit of Letter-Carrier Ambrose A. Vigeant. As a result a check was mailed to him for $53.00.

The postoffice stamp window will be open Sunday as usual from 12 until 1 o'clock, and the carriers will be ready to pass out the Christmas mail.

Letter-Carrier Charles A. Carey has been appointed state vice-president by President James C. Keller of Washington, D. C., of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Arthur A. Racicot, Jr., who was recently appointed second lieutenant in the United States marine corps, is home for a few days.

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300 Pairs of Fine Black Undressed Worsted Dress Trousers, worth $3
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50c Christmas Neckwear.. 29c
$3.50 Christmas Umbrellas $2.35
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James B. Conlon, former superintendent of Buildings, and one of Lowell's best known and most promising young men, died shortly before six o'clock last evening at his home, 339 Concord street, after an illness of six weeks' duration.

Although he had been in a critical condition for several days, a change for the better was noted on Sunday last and it was hoped that he was on the road to recovery. Yesterday morning, however, he lapsed into unconsciousness and after a consultation of doctors it was seen that it would be only a matter of a short time before death would come.

While his death was not entirely unexpected yet its announcement will cause genuine sorrow among his large circle of friends, and to the grief-stricken parents to whom the deceased was a devoted and exemplary son, is extended the deep sympathy of the community.

James B. Conlon was born in this city, the son of Patrick and Annie Conlon, his father being the well known contractor and ex-alderman. He received his early education in the Immaculate Conception parochial school and in Westford where he spent his earliest days. Upon leaving school he entered the business of his father and beginning as a bricklayer's apprentice, worked up to the position of foreman and as such directed some of the largest building contracts in Lowell, while yet barely out of his teens. Two years ago at the request of his friends he became a candidate for superintendent of lands and buildings and held the position until a short time ago when he was retired in favor of the present incumbent. Being the youngest man ever to hold the position, his career in city hall was watched by relentlessly critical eyes and yet he made a record at city chall equal to the best in the history of the department, and his retirement from the position was due to the fortunes of political war rather than to any personal objections. Immediately after retiring from city hall, in fact the next day, the deceased resumed his old position as foreman for his father and worked steadily until six weeks ago when he was taken down with the illness which resulted in his death.

Personally he was a most companionable young man and a great favorite with his friends. He was thoroughly honest in all his dealings, of sympathetic and kindly nature and a firm friend. He lived an upright life and died fortified with the rites of the Catholic church of which he was a practical member. His home relations were particularly happy, for he was the only child and devoted to his parents to whom his death comes with crushing effect. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

THE BOWLAWAY

NEW BOWLING ALLEYS OPENED UP LAST NIGHT.

The Bowlaway, the new bowling alleys on Hurd street, was opened last night at seven o'clock, and during the evening a large number of bowling enthusiasts, together with their friends, called and inspected the new alleys. The proprietors, Messrs. Thomas F. Hennessey and Charles Bunker, were on hand and were busy receiving congratulations.

Shortly after seven o'clock Mr. Hennessey rolled a ball down alley No. 5 which was the first ball put in play. He succeeded in knocking down six of the ten pins, while Mr. Bunker a few minutes later rolled a ball down alley No. 4 and he also sent six pins into the pit. The next ball by Mr. Hennessey sent three pins down while Mr. Bunker was less fortunate, only knocking two down in his alley.

The American orchestra of six pieces under P. W. Burleigh then struck up a stirring march which mingled gloriously with the noise of the falling pins and the shouts of the enthusiasts in the "gallery."

Between 8 and 10 the orchestra gave a fine program.

During the evening representatives of the Boston branch of the constructing firm of the Brunswick Balke, Collender Co., showed their skill and the speed of the alleys. Those present were: Auvelt Taylor, manager; Wm. T. Sears, salesman; William Killam and Wm. Doherty of Cambridge, a member of the Cambridgeport gym. Mr. Henry J. O'Dowd, the owner of the building, was also on hand and with his wife, received the congratulations of many on his fine building.

The electrical effects shone brilliantly during the evening and made the floor space as light as day.

They were installed by the firm of Harry Harding of this city. On the outside of the building was an immense electric illuminated sign designed by Daniel Miller. The electrical work on it was done by M. Dunn.

Many inspected the dance hall in the upper story of the building during the evening. The hall will be completed in a few weeks and will be second to none of its size in the city.

HELD IN $500

WOODBURY FACES ANOTHER PRISON SENTENCE.

HAVERHILL, Dec. 23.—Eben A. Woodbury was held in $500 for the grand jury yesterday by Judge Abbott. He pleaded guilty to the larceny of a gold watch from a boarding house on Peckar street. He was caught by the landlord yesterday while rummaging one of the rooms of a boarder.

Woodbury, according to the police, has been in prison twice in New Hampshire for terms of three years each. Another term awaits him when the Haverhill authorities are through with him, sentence having been suspended. He has served time also in the state prison of this state, having been sentenced for a crime at Lawrence.

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Muslin Petticoats,
Muslin Drawers,
Muslin Corset Covers,
Sateen Petticoats (colors),
Mercerized Moreen Petticoats,
Lined Petticoats,
Silk Hose (colors),
"Merode" Union Suits,
Swiss Rib Silk Vests,
Box 3 pairs Hose,
Flannelette Gowns,
Knit Skirts,

At $1.50

Black Lasting Petticoats,
Cambric Corset Covers,
Cambric Petticoats,
Cambric Drawers,
Cambric Gowns,
All Wool Union Suits,
All Wool Vests,
All Wool Drawers,
Teazledown Gowns,
Knit Skirts,
Black Silk Hose,
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TIME'S ALMOST UP!

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Dolls	Palmer Street, Rear	Stationery	East Section, North Aisle
Ladies' Gloves	West Section, North Aisle	Jewelry	West Section, Right Aisle
Handkerchiefs	East Section, Centre Aisle	Fancy Goods	East Section, Centre Aisle
Men's Furnishings	East Section, Left Aisle	China, Glassware	Merrimack Street, Basement

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RECOUNT ENDED

And Revised Figures Show No Changes

Fairweather Leads Aldermanic Ticket by One Vote—Casey Makes a Net Gain of Four—Registrars Tired Out After Arduous Task

The registrars of voters finished their arduous task of recounting the aldermanic votes of the city last night and a more weary and played out quartet never left city hall. In the four days they worked they earned their year's salary of $550 for each one of the four will feel the effect of the strain on his eyes and nerves for some time to come.

The recount made no change in the political complexion of next year's officials for it's Mayor-elect Casey and the same nine aldermen as were named before the recount. Casey lost one vote and Hill lost five. Dennis J. Mann of precinct three, ward seven, received one vote for mayor.

The only really important change in the original order was a gain by Alderman Fairweather, which makes him high man, leading Alderman Carmichael by one vote.

The registrars worked for 50 hours assisted by two clerks. Mr. Sullivan's eyes gave out on Wednesday night and last night Mr. Blazon was nervously exhausted. City Clerk Dadman suffered with eye weakness after Wednesday and Mr. Farley felt his eyes paining him last evening. But Kendal and Charlie Hartwell of the republican city committee were on deck during the entire recount and they were well pleased when the job was finished.

The revised vote for mayor was as follows: Casey 7300 and Hill 6733, a net gain of four for Casey.

The revised aldermanic vote was as follows:

Fairweather	7228,	gains 12
Carmichael	7227,	gains 1
Allen	6985,	gains 13
Grant	6892,	gains 20
Braden	6886,	gains 15
Hayes	6867,	loses 3
Cosgrove	6813,	gains 16
Walker	6734,	loses 10
Rourke	6596,	gains 30
Livingston	6562,	loses 27
McVey	6524,	gains 36
Gallagher	6417,	gains 27
Taylor	6395,	gains 1
Hilliard	6213,	loses 23
Robinson	6111,	loses 17
Porter	6942,	gains 7
Welch	6884,	gains 13
Stowell	5656,	gains 63
Blanks	8605,	gains 111

Yesterday's work was confined to wards seven and eight. Ward seven was taken up first. The greatest changes noted in ward seven were in precinct three where Braden gained 12 and Fairweather 9, while Gallagher lost 10 and blanks lost 13.

Precinct one of ward eight showed fewer changes than any precinct of the entire city. Casey lost one vote and Hill gained one. Parker gained one and blanks lost one.

Precinct two, the strongest republican precinct in Massachusetts, had many changes. Hill gained a vote and Barker lost one. Allen gained seven and Carmichael two. Cosgrove, Crooker, O. A. Draper, Folsom, Gallagher, Livingston and Stowell gained a vote each. McVey gained 26 and Rourke won three. Robinson lost 19. Blanks lost 29 votes.

In the last precinct counted, three of eight, Casey lost a vote and Hill lost two. Parker gained three. Carmichael gained three and Cosgrove won two. O. A. Draper and Folsom, socialists, lost a vote apiece, while Gallagher gained three. Livingston and Richardson lost one each. McVey, Taylor and Welch gained one. Robinson gained one. Rourke won three and Stowell and Walker two each. Blanks lost 19.

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FINE PAINTINGS

SECOND DAY'S SALE OF MR. COGGESHALL'S WORK.

The bidding on Mr. Coggeshall's paintings, yesterday, the second day of the sale, was more lively than on the first day, and while fair prices were taken the money did not represent the real value of the work. Two of the most valuable paintings had to be withdrawn because the bidding did not reach a pitch sufficiently high to make the offer reasonable, and the pictures were withdrawn under the rights reserved by the auctioneer, E. B. Conant.

A Venetian scene, in water color, "On Fondimenta Zatterel," brought the highest price paid for any one picture, $40. Some small water colors sold as low as $4 each. There are still a few of the smaller pictures left, and Mr. Coggeshall says that he will add others to the collection, attractive bits of scenery, which can be bought at private sale. The room will be open from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., each day, up to Jan. 1. Top floor, Central block, Central street.

PLEASANT PARTY

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHOIR MET WITH MR. AND MRS. GILLAM.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gillam, 28 Warwick street, was the scene of a joyous and musical gathering last evening. The choir of the First Congregational church met there and nearly all the members of the choir were present. A musical program of rare merit was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

GOOD RACING

AT CONVENTION HALL ON BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 23—Good time was made in the professional bicycle events on the thirteen lap track at Convention hall last night.

Results:

Three mile motor paced, won by Frank Caldwell of Bristol, Conn. Time—5.16.

Five mile motor-paced, won by Nat Butler of Boston. Time—6.16.

Four mile motor-paced won by Louis Mettling of Boston. Time—6.35 3-5.

NORTH BILLERICA.

A well attended whist party was held in the rooms of the Billerica republican club last night. Three prizes, two turkeys and a chicken, were offered by the committee in charge, and at the close of two hours' play the following winners were announced:

First prize, 12-pound turkey, won by Thomas F. Sheridan with 56 points. Second prize, 10-pound turkey, won by James O'Toole, 52, and thrid, a 5-pound chicken, won by Henry O'Brien, 49.

The Talbot grammar school closed yesterday afternoon for the annual Christmas vacation.

The installation of the newly elected officers of North Billerica council, R. A., will take place Wednesday night, Jan. 4.

Holiday gifts, Oriental Bazaar.

DEWOLFE MANSION

DESTROYED BY FIRE LAST NIGHT.

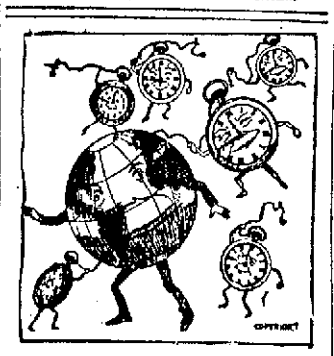
BRISTOL, R. I., Dec. 23.—The old De Wolfe mansion, known as "The Mount," on the east side of the city, and one of the finest types of colonial architecture in Rhode Island, was destroyed by fire last night. Mrs. William D. De Wolfe, who occupied the mansion at the time, escaped with her maid, and the two, with the aid of a neighbor, saved an oil portrait of U. S. Senator James De Wolfe who built the house a century ago; a Gilbert Stuart portrait of Washington and considerable furniture. The loss is estimated at $35,000, but this does not represent the loss from an historic standpoint.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Manager Murphy of the Academy of Music has arranged a special Christmas attraction for Sunday afternoon and evening, the proceeds of which will go to the Ladies' Aid society of St. Patrick's church. The feature of the program will be high-class moving pictures, together with illustrated songs and other features too numerous to mention. The pictures will all be new and never before shown in this city and prominent among them will be: "Meet Me at the Fountain," "Uncle Rube's Birthday," "Burglars at Work," "Panorama Views of the Elks," "The Fox Hunt," and a host of others equally interesting. The prices for the afternoon will be 10 and 20c, while the evening prices will be 10, 20, and 30c.

CHILDREN'S HOME.

At the invitation of the matron, Mrs. O'Leary, and through the kindness of Mr. Mitchell of the Mon March, Santa Claus visited the Children's Home on Kirk street, Wednesday, to the great delight of the children who gathered around him and told their wants. He departed promising to return with what gifts he could gather at Christmas.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EAGLES FLEW

FIRE BROKE OUT WHERE MEETING WAS BEING HELD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Fire broke out last night in a four-story building in First street, Elizabeth, N. J., while four hundred members of the local lodge of Eagles were in session on the top floor and a meeting of the Daughters of Liberty was in session on the floor below. The first burst of fire was accompanied by a dense smoke and many of the members of the two lodges were almost overcome before they reached the street. No one was injured, but the men lost their hats and overcoats and many of the women lost their wraps.

The ground floor of the building was occupied by Arnold Texter, dealers in painters' supplies. The property loss amounted to $20,000.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Local Lodge, No. 14, National Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, elected officers for the ensuing year at its meeting las tevening at Bay State hall in Central street, and Hugh J. Gallagher was chosen president by an overwhelming vote.

Other officials elected were James L. Rogers, vice president; John Barrett, secretary and treasurer; William Gallagher, recording secretary; Joseph Cryan, guide; John Deane, trustee; Michael Cornelily, financial secretary, and John Farrell sergeant-at-arms.

John Walton, John Rogers, Michael Cornelily, William Galvin, Hugh J. Gallagher and John Barrett were chosen delegates to the Trades and Labor council.

Reports received from the treasurer and financial secretary indicate that the lodge is in a flourishing condition and the membership has increased materially during the year just closing.

Following the business session President-elect Hugh Gallagher delivered an interesting discourse on the advantages of united effort which is gained through unionism, and he pointed to the labor struggle in Fall River as an example of strength derived from unionism.

Highland Council, 970, R. A., held a largely attended meeting last evening. Much routine business was transacted and one application received. After the close of the business meeting a whist party was held for which five prizes were up. The 1st prize was a solid silver smoking set and was won by J. Orrill of Highland; the 2d prize, a loving cup, was won by Chas. H. Hartley of Highland; the 3d prize, a gold inkstand, was won by Fred Rand of Highland; the 1st booby prize, an ornament, was won by C. F. Donahue of Highland; 2d booby prize, an ornament, was won by W. J. Scannell of Highland.

In the forthcoming bowling tournament Highland council will play against North Billerica council Friday evening, Jan. 6th, at the Bowlaway.

A union meeting of the different branches of the New England Order of Protection was held last evening in this city, and Crystal, Elgin, Neptune, Echo and Talbot lodges of this city and Lawrence lodge of Lawrence were represented.

A class initiation was in order and the candidates were initiated by the degree staff of Crystal lodge. The committee in charge were W. S. Holt, chairman; Thomas Frost, William N. Mountain, Mrs. Bowen, Charles Kittredge, T. E. Smith, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Buxton, Walter Morris and J. F. Kent.

After the business of the session, supper was served, following which remarks were made by the grand officers.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN.

The regular meeting of L'Union St. Joseph was held last night with a large attendance, the principal business of the meeting being the annual election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President, Wilfrid Lorrain; vice president, Edmond Pelletier; recording secretary, J. A. Plante, re-elected; assistant recording secretary, Arthur Plante, re-elected; treasurer, Isidore Turcotte, re-elected; assistant treasurer, D. B. Leboeuf, re-elected; sick visitors, Albert Lebleau, re-elected; Pierre Roy; directors, Alexis Doizois, re-elected; Alexander Lagasse, re-elected; Horace Carufel, F. J. G. Lorrain, Telesphore Gendron.

The installation of these officers will take place on the first Thursday in January.

MIDGET'S RECEPTION AND LOLLY POPS AT CASTO.

Manager Haynes has arranged an excellent attraction for the school children at the Casto Saturday afternoon. After the matinee performance Mrs. Tom Thumb, Count and Baron Magri, the famous miniature artists, who head this week's program in their sparkling comedy "Two Strings to Her Bow" will hold a reception upon the stage and to every person who attends will be presented the latest craze, a lolly pop. This will be the only opportunity the school children will have of meeting these famous lilliputians for this is the farewell engagement of these world-famous folk. To meet personally these midgets and also receive a lolly pop is indeed a treat for the young folks. The current program at the Casto is an excellent one and will please the little ones. In addition to Mrs. Tom Thumb, and the Count and Baron Magri will be seen an excellent comedy program which includes the best acts in vaudeville. Owing to the rush which is certain to occur it would be wise to order reserved seats at once. This may be done by calling telephone 815-3.

CHESS CONTEST.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The 13th annual intercollegiate chess tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton, four men representing each university, was begun at the Westside Republican club in this city.

The tournament will be continued today and conclude on Saturday.

The pairing for the first round has been arranged as follows:

G. W. Tucker, Jr. (C.), Wm. N. Woodbury (Y.), Queenspawn opening.

Joseph Tolins (C.), Charles P. Kimball (Y.), Scotch opening.

Louis P. Wolff (C.), Arthur S. Jameson (Y.), Sicilian opening.

Abraham Laseinsk (C.), Clifford H. Owen (Y.), Queenspawn opening.

P. W. Brigham (H.), Stanley (P.), F. Nelson's bishop's gambit opening.

W. Shoeland (H.), T. Mercy (P.), Vienna opening.

G. T. McClure (H.), Waldron M. Ward (P.), king's gambit decline opening.

Q. A. Brackett (H.), Charles Williams (P.), Giouin plano opening.

The games today resulted as follows:

Woodbury beat Tucker 53 moves; Tolins beat Kimball 34 moves; Wolff and Jameson drew 53 moves; Owen beat Laziusk 36 moves; Nelson beat Bridgman 30 moves; McClure beat Ward 35 moves; Brackett beat Williams 58 moves. The game between Howland and Mowry was adjourned after 53 moves, to be adjudicated by the referee. The result gives Yale 2½ points, Harvard 2, Columbia 1½, Princeton 1.

POSTAL NOTES

HINTS TO HELP THE CARRIERS AT CHRISTMAS.

There will be one delivery Monday morning by the carriers.

Post your letter early for many of the carriers are unable to complete their entire delivery in the afternoon within the prescribed eight hours. All carriers must complete their forenoon trips and work in the afternoon till the eight hours is completed.

Many of the carriers received presents yesterday. It was noticeable that the more humble of the population remembered the carriers more liberally. In the "Little Canada" district one patron took a subscription paper around to the great benefit of Letter-Carrier Ambrose A. Vigeant. As a result a check was mailed to him for $53.00.

The postoffice stamp window will be open Sunday as usual from 12 until 1 o'clock, and the carriers will be ready to pass out the Christmas mail.

Letter-Carrier Charles A. Carey has been appointed state vice-president by President James C. Keller of Washington, D. C., of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Arthur A. Racicot, Jr., who was recently appointed second lieutenant in the United States marine corps, is home for a few days.

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Magnificent assortment of Fine Fur Sets, made by four furriers, selected skins and latest up-to-date styles, one-third less than can be purchased elsewhere.....$2.50 to **$40.00**

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Men's Velvet Embroidered Slippers, Everett, Harvard and Opera, $1.00 value..... **48c**

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Ladies' Fur Trimmed Felt Slippers **48c**

Ladies' 4-Buckle Arctics **$1.69**

Ladies' Red Felt Juliettes, **75c**

Trouser Bargains

300 Pairs of Fine Black Undressed Worsted Dress Trousers, worth $3

$1.87

Miscellaneous

50c Christmas Neckwear.. **29c**

$3.50 Christmas Umbrellas **$2.35**

$2.50 Christmas Umbrellas **$1.45**

35c Christmas Suspenders. **17c**

$1.00 Christmas Mufflers. **69c**

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Former Supt. of Buildings is Dead

James B. Conlon, former superintendent of Buildings, and one of Lowell's best known and most promising young men, died shortly before six o'clock last evening at his home, 339 Concord street, after an illness of six weeks' duration.

Although he had been in a critical condition for several days, a change for the better was noted on Sunday last and it was hoped that he was on the road to recovery. Yesterday morning, however, he lapsed into unconsciousness and after a consultation of doctors it was seen that it would be only a matter of a short time before death would come.

While his death was not entirely unexpected yet its announcement will cause genuine sorrow among his large circle of friends, and to the grief-stricken parents to whom the deceased was a devoted and exemplary son, is extended the deep sympathy of the community.

James B. Conlon was born in this city, the son of Patrick and Annie Conlon, his father being the well known contractor and ex-alderman. He received his early education in the Immaculate Conception parochial school and in Westford where he spent his earliest days. Upon leaving school he entered the business of his father and beginning as a bricklayer's apprentice, worked up to the position of foreman and as such directed some of the largest building contracts in Lowell, while yet barely out of his teens. Two years ago at the request of his friends he became a candidate for superintendent of lands and buildings and held the position until a short time ago when he was retired in favor of the present incumbent. Being the youngest man ever to hold the position, his career in city hall was watched by relentlessly critical eyes and yet he made a record at city chall equal to the best in the history of the department, and his retirement from the position was due to the fortunes of political war rather than to any personal objections. Immediately after retiring from city hall, in fact the next day, the deceased resumed his old position as foreman for his father and worked steadily until six weeks ago when he was taken down with the illness which resulted in his death.

Personally he was a most companionable young man and a great favorite with his friends. He was thoroughly honest in all his dealings, of sympathetic and kindly nature and a firm friend. He lived an upright life and died fortified with the rites of the Catholic church of which he was a practical member. His home relations were particularly happy, for he was the only child and devoted to his parents to whom his death comes with crushing effect. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

THE BOWLAWAY

NEW BOWLING ALLEYS OPENED UP LAST NIGHT.

The Bowlaway, the new bowling alleys on Hurd street, was opened last night at seven o'clock, and during the evening a large number of bowling enthusiasts, together with their friends, called and inspected the new alleys. The proprietors, Messrs. Thomas F. Hennessey and Charles Bunker, were on hand and were busy receiving congratulations.

Shortly after seven o'clock Mr. Hennessey rolled a ball down alley No. 5 which was the first ball put in play. He succeeded in knocking down six of the ten pins, while Mr. Bunker a few minutes later rolled a ball down alley No. 4 and he also sent six pins into the pit. The next ball by Mr. Hennessey sent three pins down while Mr. Bunker was less fortunate, only knocking two down in his alley.

The American orchestra of six pieces under P. W. Burleigh then struck up a stirring march which mingled gloriously with the noise of the falling pins and the shouts of the enthusiasts in the "gallery."

Between 8 and 10 the orchestra gave a fine program.

During the evening representatives of the Boston branch of the constructing firm of the Brunswick Balke, Collender Co., showed their skill and the speed of the alleys. Those present were: Auvelt Taylor, manager; Wm. T. Sears, salesman; William Killam and Wm. Doherty of Cambridge, a member of the Cambridgeport gym. Mr. Henry J. O'Dowd, the owner of the building, was also on hand and with his wife, received the congratulations of many on his fine building.

The electrical effects shone brilliantly during the evening and made the floor space as light as day.

They were installed by the firm of Harry Harding of this city. On the outside of the building was an immense electric illuminated sign designed by Daniel Miller. The electrical work on it was done by M. Dunn.

Many inspected the dance hall in the upper story of the building during the evening. The hall will be completed in a few weeks and will be second to none of its size in the city.

HELD IN $500

WOODBURY FACES ANOTHER PRISON SENTENCE.

HAVERHILL, Dec. 23.—Eben A. Woodbury was held in $500 for the grand jury yesterday by Judge Abbott. He pleaded guilty to the larceny of a gold watch from a boarding house on Peeker street. He was caught by the landlord yesterday while rummaging one of the rooms of a boarder.

Woodbury, according to the police, has been in prison twice in New Hampshire for terms of three years each. Another term awaits him when the Haverhill authorities are through with him, sentence having been suspended. He has served time also in the state prison of this state, having been sentenced for a crime at Lawrence.

THE MAN WHO, AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR, FINDS THAT HE HAS NOT BOUGHT ANY

Christmas Presents

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And go away satisfied and please his whole family. He could find

For His Wife—A Beautiful Gas Lamp, complete with Welsbach light, shade and tubing. From.....$2.00 to $15.00
For His Daughter—A Hammered Copper Enameled Bookrack....$2.75
For His Son—A Nickle Plated Hold Fast Spray, to use when taking hot or cold water baths..... $1.25
For His Sister—A Chandelier, with cut glass globes.....$4.00
For His Brother—A Nickle Plated Soap Dish.....$1.25
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For Himself—He would receive a big bunch of Dark Blue Trading Stamps.

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Bolero Jackets,
Flannelette Skirts,
Knit Corset Covers,
Tea Aprons,
Gingham Aprons,
Knit Vests,
Knit Drawers,
Muslin Corset Covers,
Muslin Drawers,
Cashmere Hose,
Lisle Hose,
Lace Hose,
Ribbed Hose,
Embroidered Hose,
Gauze Lisle Hose,
Silk Garters,
Children's Waists,
Children's Sleeping Garments.

At 50c

"Merode" Vests,
"Merode" Drawers,
Union Suits,
Muslin Gowns;
Flannelette Gowns;
Flannelette Skirts,
Knit Skirts,
Child's Silk Hose,
Knit Corset Covers,
Muslin Drawers,
Muslin Corset Covers,
Tea Aprons,
Foster Hose Supporters,
C. M. C. Silk Garters,
Silkaline Hose,
Embroidered Hose,
Lisle Hose,
Cashmere Hose.

At 75c

Cashmere Hose,
Lace Hose,
"Forest Mills" Vests,
"Forest Mills" Drawers,
Onella Union Suits,
Flannelette Gowns,
Muslin Gowns,
Mercerized Petticoats,
Nainsook Drawers,
Cambric Corset Covers.

At $1.00

Muslin Gowns,
Muslin Petticoats,
Muslin Drawers,
Muslin Corset Covers,
Sateen Petticoats (colors),
Mercerized Moreen Petticoats,
Lined Petticoats,
Silk Hose (colors),
"Merode" Union Suits,
Swiss Rib Silk Vests,
Box 3 pairs Hose,
Flannelette Gowns,
Knit Skirts,

At $1.50

Black Lasting Petticoats,
Cambric Corset Covers,
Cambric Petticoats,
Cambric Drawers,
Cambric Gowns,
All Wool Union Suits,
All Wool Vests,
All Wool Drawers,
Teazledown Gowns,
Knit Skirts,
Black Silk Hose,
Brown Sateen Petticoats.
Lined Petticoats.

At $2.00

Silk Moreen Petticoats,
Worsted Moreen Petticoats,
Sateen Petticoats,
Cambric Petticoats,
Nainsook Corset Covers,
Nainsook Drawers,
Cambric Gowns,
"Forest Mills" Union Suits.

At $2.50

Silk Petticoats,
Mohair Petticoats,
Silk Moreen Petticoats,
Worsted Moreen Petticoats,
Cambric Petticoats.

$3 upwards

Silk Petticoats,
Muslin Underwear,
Alpaca Petticoats,
Moreen Petticoats,
"Chic" Undermuslin Sets,
Etc., etc.

Every Woman will appreciate the gift of a dainty piece of "Chic" Muslin Underwear in a pretty gift box; **50c upwards.**

TIME'S ALMOST UP!

Just today and tomorrow in which to finish the gift buying. Don't forget anyone this Christmas—even the slightest remembrance will carry happiness with it. There'll be crowds everywhere the next two days, but this store is big enough to take care of thousands of good natured shoppers. Everyone should be good natured these days. Keep to the right in the aisles—hang on to your pocketbook—see that the sales-clerk has your bundle address just right. And by the way, if you have any little change left, drop it in the turkey in front of the Merrimack street door. It will help along a very worthy charity and you'll be better satisfied with yourself than ever.

Books	Palmer Street, Centre	Umbrellas	West Section, Centre Aisle
Toys	Merrimack Street, Basement	Toilet Goods	West Section, North Aisle
Dolls	Palmer Street, Rear	Stationery	East Section, North Aisle
Ladies' Gloves	West Section, North Aisle	Jewelry	West Section, Right Aisle
Handkerchiefs	East Section, Centre Aisle	Fancy Goods	East Section, Centre Aisle
Men's Furnishings	East Section, Left Aisle	China, Glassware	Merrimack Street, Basement

GENEROUS REDUCTIONS IN THE GARMENT SECTION

Usually Made in January. We offer Them in Time for Gifts

All our Children's $3.98 Coats, sizes 6 to 14 years, for.....$2.98
All our Children's $5.00 and $6.75 Coats, sizes 6 to 14 years, for...$3.98
All our Children's $7.50 and $8.75 Coats, sizes 6 to 14 years, for...$4.98
All our Children's $10.00 and $12.75 Coats, size 6 to 14 years, for...$7.98

CHILDREN'S SWEATERS—All wool, in White or Oxford, sizes 28, 30 and 32, $1.25 quality, for.....98c EACH

FUR SETS—Of Angora, Thibet, Brook Mink, Lamb, Chinchilla and Kimmer .....$1.50 to $10.00

LADIES' BLACK MERCERIZED PETTICOATS—Reduced to about one-half .....69c, 98c, $1.25, $1.50 to $5.00

LADIES' SILK PETTICOATS—All colors .....$1.98 to $15.00

LADIES' SWEATERS—A dozen different styles in white, navy, oxford, red and brown.

$2.98 Sweaters, now for sale at $1.98.

$3.98 Sweaters, now for sale at $2.98.

$4.50 and $5.00 Sweaters, now for sale at $3.98.

SHAWLS—Small shoulder Shawls, 42 in. square, only 75c. Size 47 in. square, only ..... $1.00 EACH

Beaver Shawls, 2 yards square, heavy and warm, greys and browns, at .....$1.50, $2.00, $2.75 and $3.00

EIDERDOWN BATH ROBES AND DRESSING SACQUES—Sacques, light blue, grey and red .....58c to $3.75
Bath Robes, sizes 32 to 44 .....$3.98 to $7.50

RAIN COATS—Cravenettes and Fancy Checks, in tan, olive and oxford shades, $16.00 and $12.50 grades, only $7.50 Each. $15.00 and $18.00 grades only..... $12.50

BLACK KERSEY CLOTH CAPES—27 and 30 in. long, good, full sweep, heavy satin lined, plain and fur trimmed, $10 Capes for $7.50. $12.50 and $15.50 Capes for $10. $15 and $18 Capes for $12.50.

FURS—Never such a good stock of Furs of all kinds as we've here this year and we were never able to offer you better values.

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Boys' Long Overcoats, 8 to 16 years .....$2.98 to $5.00
Boys' Reefers, velvet and storm collars .....$1.49 to $4.98
Boys' Woolen Sweaters, button, from .....95c to $1.25
Men's Wool and Worsted Sweaters.....95c to $1.49
Men's Suspenders, 1 pair in box .....25c a Pair
Men's White Cheviot Shirts..... 49c
Ladies' Black Mercerized Skirts, flannel lined.....95c Each
Ladies' Heavy Flannelette Wrappers .....79c and 98c
Ladies' Heavy Flannelette Waists .....49c and 98c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, embroidered, etc. .....5c, 6 for 25c
Wool Blankets .....$1.37 to $5.00
Men's Slippers, all kinds .....49c to 98c
Ladies' Slippers .....49c to $1.49
Men's Opera Shoes, 4 buckles..... $1.98
Men's Opera Shoes, 1 buckle..... 98c
Ladies' Overshoes, 3 buckles..... 75c
Boys' Rubber Boots $1.98
Children's Rubber Boots..... 98c
Men's Umbrellas 75c

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Special values in Fancy Waist Patterns, put up in neat boxes as gifts. Both white and colored goods. 100 styles to choose from **50c to $1.75**

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Merrimack, Palmer and Middle Sts.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

From Merrimack St.

5.43, 6.21, 6.45, 7.40, 8.50, 9.23, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8.45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.40	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.28	7.40	6.30	7.26
6.38	7.30	7.54	8.54
6.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.00	9.57
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.48	8.35	11.30	12.07
7.55	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.37	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.33	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.03	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.43	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.44	2.50	5.00	5.57
1.55	2.39	5.38	6.25
5.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.08	5.30	6.14	7.30
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
5.49	7.00	8.30	9.08
6.31	6.55	10.30	11.34
7.28	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.30	8.31
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.45	11.40
10.30	12.00	11.50	1.05
12.05	1.20	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.36	4.50
2.30	3.33	4.50	5.49
3.10	4.05	6.01	7.02
3.55	5.00	6.35	7.45
5.06	6.46	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.13
7.00	8.00		
8.30	10.28		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.1
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.55	4.50	5.05	6.25
6.32	6.53		
8.03	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.39	7.50	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10		
8.48	9.49	11.30	12.07
9.20	10.16	1.00	1.57
2.25	3.27	6.00	5.59
5.28	6.30	7.30	8.08
6.22	7.05	8.30	9.08
		9.00	10.02

LOCAL NEWS

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Saltpetre 12c lb
Epsom Salts 5c lb
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Talbot's

40 MIDDLE STREET

A WATER FAMINE

Factories and Railroads Feel Effect of the Drouth

FRANKLIN, N. H., Dec. 23.—The water famine in this part is growing serious. Mills feel the effect of the drouth, the Boston & Maine railroad finds its water supply short and farmers are obliged in many cases to take their stock long distances to water and then keep their cattle on short water rations. Officials of the Boston & Maine say that every water tank on the 50 miles between Concord and Canaan except the one at East Andover is out of commission. The road proposes to put in steam pumps to fill the tanks.

This week a hose was run from one of the city water hydrants to the water tank, and engines were able to take water, and thus avoid a serious emergency. This cannot be continued longer, however, as the Franklin board of water commissioners refuse to take any chances of allowing the supply to become any lower.

The famine is felt by the concerns along the Winnipesaukee river. The International paper company's mills held back so much water last week that not enough was given the Franklin light and power company, whose plant is below the paper mills, and as a result the electric lights all over the city went out until more water was allowed to flow over the paper company's dam.

The pulp mills are only running half of their grinders, and in consequence the supply of wood pulp is inadequate at the other mills. One paper mill is shut down on account of the shortage of wood pulp.

Farmers in Salisbury and Sanbornton complain that their wells are drying up.

HUDSON'S SUPPLY

IS SUFFICIENT TO LAST ONE YEAR.

HUDSON, Dec. 23.—None of this town's numerous manufactories are likely to be at all disturbed because of any scarcity of water. Water commissioner Daniel W. Stratton declares that there is no cause for alarm. The town is supplied by Gates pond in Berlin, the water in which was two feet lower a year ago than it is now. The reservoir covers an area of 75 acres and is very deep. The town gets its supply by gravity, and there are 11 feet of water below the main pipe through which the water is carried to the consumers. It is estimated that the quantity of water now in the pond would last considerably more than a year. The pond is fed by springs beneath the surface, so there is no way of telling to what degree they may be affected by the prevailing dry spell.

The Assabet river, which with its tributaries furnishes power in part for one or two factories, and which feeds the Fort Meadow and Boone lake reservoirs in this town and in Stow, supplying the American woolen mills in Maynard with a part of their water power, seems to be about as full as it usually is at this time of the year.

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MANCHESTER MILLS

KEPT RUNNING BY USE OF AUXILIARY STEAM.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 23.—Lake Massabesic, from which this city daily pumps more than 3,000,000 gallons of water, has been reduced in area nearly 50 per cent. Manchester's only other source of supply is the Merrimack river, but there are no facilities for securing more than one-third of the quantity which would be needed.

The effect upon manufacturing was not noticeable to any extent until a section of the machinery at the big Jefferson mill of the Amoskeag manufacturing company broke down. An attempt to run by water power had to be abandoned. All of the mills of Manchester have auxiliary steam power, which they are using.

In the outlying towns much distress prevails, and farmers with live stock have been selling them for beef or killing them for home consumption because of the labor involved in securing water, nearly all wells having dried up.

WELL SUPPLIED

MARLBORO HAS A RESERVOIR IN RESERVE.

MARLBORO, Dec. 23.—Though other localities are much distressed because of scarcity of water, the conditions in this city are very satisfactory. The water in lake Williams, the original source of the city's water supply, is much lower than it has been for many months, but there is still enough to last at least until March 1. The supply in reserve at Millham reservoir can then be drawn upon. George A. Stacy, superintendent of water works, declares that in that reservoir there is enough to last a year.

None of the city's manufacturers are dependent upon any stream for any part of their water supply, for none of them use water power.

CAN SUPPLY NEEDS

CLINTON AND LANCASTER USE 510,000 GALONS A DAY.

CLINTON, Dec. 23.—The amount of water consumed last month in this town and in Lancaster, which is supplied by this town's system, was 510,000 gallons a day, which is a reduction from a daily consumption of 1,000,000 gallons used a few years ago, the decrease being due to the installing of meters. The town is in a condition to furnish its inhabitants with all the water they will need for a long time.

The manufactories are not dependent upon brooks or streams for their power.

BURNING MORE COAL

SACO AND BIDDEFORD COTTON MILLS FEEL WATER FAMINE.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 23.—The shortage of water in the Saco river has necessitated the burning of much larger quantities of coal by the cotton manufacturing plants in this city and Saco, as much of the machinery that was run by water power is now run by steam.

The Pepperell corporation in this city is more affected than the York company across the river, and its boilers are run to their full capacity during the entire working hours. When there is plenty of water in the Saco, from 125 to 150 tons of coal are burned each week, while at present the amount consumed is 240 tons, or 40 tons daily.

It has been necessary to run the carding department until 10 p. m. since there has been a shortage of water, in order to keep up the work.

Never in recent years has the river been as low as this season. The ground is frozen, and it would require a rainstorm of several days to do much good.

While many of the smaller industries are bothered to some extent by the low water they do not feel it as much as the big cotton mills. The Saco & Pettee machine shops are running on short time during the winter, and have as yet experienced little inconvenience from the drouth.

JOSEPH E. LOUGHRAN
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
6 Hildreth Bldg. Lowell, Mass.

RIVER IS LOW

MILLS ON MERRIMACK RIVER AT LAWRENCE FEEL SHORTAGE.

LAWRENCE, Dec. 23.—The manufacturing industries here are seriously affected by the low water in the rivers. The water in the Merrimack river, officials of the Essex company say, is the lowest it has been since 1883. The water in the Shawsheen river, which furnishes power to several small industries, is also very low and several factories have been obliged to shut down.

As yet none of the factories on the Merrimack river in this city has been obliged to suspend work. Nearly all of them, however, have been obliged to curtail the amount used.

Nearly all of the large factories here are equipped with steam plants, used by the mills during the period of high water. In case the shortage should continue these mills can be kept running by their steam plants.

LEOMINSTER NOT DISTRESSED.

LEOMINSTER, Dec. 23.—While the town's supply of water is not up to the usual amount for this time of year, Supt. Fred Witherbee of the water department has no fear of an immediate water famine. He says that even is there should be no fall of rain for several months there would be nothing like a distressing condition. While none of the factories or shops are solely dependent upon the streams for their power, it is used to as great an extent as possible. In this respect the scarcity of water is felt somewhat by manufacturers.

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Boston Clam Chowder
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Fish—Escalloped Whitefish.
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Fricassee of Chicken
Home-made Sausage, Fried Orange Fritters, Lemon Sauce.
Roast—Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
Loin of Native Pork, Apple Sauce
Vegetables—Boiled Onions, Mashed Turnips.
Steamed English Plum Pudding.
Pies—Apple, Mince, Lemon, Custard, Squash.
Coffee Jelly, Whipped Cream.
Tea. Milk. Coffee.
Ice Cream instead of Pie or Pudding.

This bill will be served Sunday and Monday from 11 a.m. till 8 p.m.

Home-made Bread just like mother makes.

Let us furnish your Christmas Cake; large variety.

Have you tried any of Harris' Mince Meat, 3 lbs. for 25c.

Take home some of his famous Plum Pudding.

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This stock was purchased from W. B. Richard's Bazaar, Brockton, Mass., at 50 cents on the dollar. Come early and secure the choice lots. We are also running a grab bag. Every boy and girl come and see us.

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1 LOT OF BEAUTIFUL TRIMMED HATS $1.48
1 LOT OF BEAUTIFUL TRIMMED HATS 98c
CHILDREN'S TRIMMED HATS, regular price $2.48, for 98c
UNTRIMMED HATS in all shapes and styles, from ..... 25c to 98c
FANCY MADE HATS in all colors and styles, for $1.48

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This Week We Shall Place on Sale 900 Cases Men's, Boys', Youths', Women's, Misses' and Children's Rubbers, Rubber Boots and Overshoes Which We Have Just Purchased from THE HOOD RUBBER CO. We Shall Sell Them at the old Prices Which Are 1-3 Below the Regular Prices of Today. THIS LOT CONTAINS

Children's 40c Storm or Low Cut Rubbers. Sizes 6 to 10 1-2 Sale Price 25 cts pr.

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Men's 75c. first quality storm or low cut Rubbers, all sizes and styles of toes Sale Price 59 cts pr.

Children's and Misses' Heavy Rolled Sole Rubbers. Regular 50c and 60c grade
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Ladies' first quality 65c. storm or low cut Rubbers, Sale Price 49 cts pr.

Men's $1.35 heavy or light weight one buckle Overshoes, Sale Price 98 cts pr.

Ladies' 50c. Storm Rubbers all sizes, Sale Price 39 cts pr.

Men's $2.50 high 4-buckle Overshoes, heavy or light weight, Sale Price $1.98 pr.